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15th April	EGYPT	7912		
22nd "	PENINSULAR	6994	CHINA	7912
29th "	CALEDONIA	7558		
6th May	ARCADIA	6903	MOLDAVIA	6500
13th "	MACEDONIA	10513		
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27th "	ARABIA	7903		

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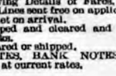

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AUSTRALIEN	6,635	Verron	15th June 1905.

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* † MARQUIS BACQUEHEM	T. Rassevich	4,766	9th " "
* † THERESE	Capt. D. Mistorigo	5,093	9th June 1905,
† MARIA VALERIE	P. Berberovich	4,247	8th July 1905,
† NIPPON	L. Scoib	5,316	27th " "

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J. BEGBIE, Secretary and Treasurer.

Bombay, 14th April, 1905.

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A. MUIRHEAD, General Traffic Manager.

Bombay, the 13th April, 1905.

LIST OF ESTATES to which Letters of Administration have been granted to the Administrator-General, Bombay, and of Estates which have come under his charge.

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MICHAEL FERNANDES, late Engine Driver, Great Indian Peninsula Railway, Igatpuri.

All persons having claims against being indebted to, or holding property belonging to the above named Estates are hereby required to state their claims, pay their debts and hand over such property to the undersigned forthwith. All claims must be sent in to the undersigned within one month from the date of this advertisement. At the expiration of the said period the Assets of the Estates will be distributed and claims received after that period will not be recognised.

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Administrator-General's Office, High Court, Bombay, 23rd March, 1905.

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1. To receive the Consulting Actuary's Valuation Report on the Assets and Liabilities of the Company as at 31st December, 1903, and to decide as to the amount of profits which has been realized up to that date.

2. To decide as to the proportion of the said profits to be appropriated to the formation of a Reserve Fund.

3. To declare the Proportion of Profits applicable for Dividend to Shareholders and a Bonus to Policyholders.

4. Generally to transact any other business arising out of or germane to the said Valuation by the Consulting Actuary, as may be brought before the Meeting by the Chairman.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. PATERSON BROWN, Manager.

Bombay, 14th April, 1905.

ORIENTAL GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the THIRTIETH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING, will be held at the Offices of the Company, Oriental Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 27th day of April, 1905, immediately after the extraordinary General Meeting to be held on the same date at 1-30 P.M.

To receive Directors' and Auditors' Report for the year ending 31st December, 1904.

To elect and confirm appointment of Directors and Auditors in room of those retiring by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.

To declare a Dividend.

To transact any other business which may be brought before the Meeting by the Chairman.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company are closed from the 13th April to the 28th idem, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
R. PATERSON BROWN, Manager.

Bombay, 14th April, 1905.

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Spot in London	26 1-4	= + 1-16
2 months hence	26 3-16	= + 1-16
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EXCHANGES—		
Paris cheques	25'15 1-2	= — 1-2
Berlin, "	20 45 3-4	= unchanged
New York Demand	4'86 1-8	= do
DISCOUNTS—		
Bank of England	2 1-2 per cent	= unchanged
3 months' sight Bank bills	2 1-8 per cent	= do
3 " " Fine Trade Bills	2 1-8 per cent	= do
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April-May	May-June	June-July
4'09 −2	4'10 −2	4'12 −2
July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.	Sep.-Oct.
4'13 −2	4'14 −2	4'15 −2
Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec	Dec.-Jan.
4'16 −2	4'17 −2	4'18 −2

Receipts at U S Ports ..... 23,000 bales
Do. last year ..... 3,700 "
Exports to Great Britain ..... 8,000 "
Do. do Continent ..... 4,000 "

IN NEW YORK—
Spot ..... 8'45 unchanged
Futures, month of July ..... 7'49—1 *
Do. do. December ..... 7'26—1 *
* Declined owing to official weather report considered favourable.

IN NEW ORLEANS—
Spot ..... 7 1-2 unchanged
Futures, month of July ..... 7'39 do
Do. do. October ..... 7'19—1
Tone at close ..... quiet

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Linseed	14,078 "
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Gingellyseed	325 "
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BOMBAY, APRIL 14.

COTTON.

DURING the past week the course of the American markets has been uneventful. In four days, from Friday last (the day the mail left) to Tuesday, futures dropped only 5 points, and since then a further decline of 5 points has taken place. Spot Cotton has remained steady throughout the week at 8'05C. The Liverpool market has been almost as void of interest, futures for April-May fluctuating between 4'09d and 4'12d. and Spot between 4 24d. and 4'29d the former being to-day's rates. Firm markets in Manchester continue to be the order of the day, in fact it is some weeks now since Manchester has been anything *but* firm and this is, we think, a fair index of the state of the trade. Spot sales in Liverpool have again been on a limited scale, and Receipts at the U. S. ports very large, so much so that Reuter has twice during the week advised a decline as due to "large estimated receipts for to-morrow." And this "Decline" amounted to 2 or 3 points! Truly, the position of Cotton must be a strong one for it to be able to maintain its value against such odds, and should anything occur to act as an opposing force, there seems little doubt but that a strong upward movement would be the immediate result. No doubt a good deal of Cotton will be held over until next season in the South, but the remainder of the Crop is reported to be of poor quality with a large amount of country damaged Cotton. We have no further news this week regarding the New Crop, barring Reuter's announcement of the weekly weather report being "b arish" which we may take to mean that the previous week's report of heavy rain was exaggerated.

The following are the daily quotations for Spot Middling Americans in Liverpool and New York, since the last mail left :—

	Liverpool.	New York.
April	7th ..... 4'27	8'05
"	8th ..... 4'27	8'05
"	10th ..... 4'29	8'05
"	11th ..... 4'25	8'05
"	12th ..... 4'27	8'05
"	13th ..... 4'24	8'05

The following are the daily quotations for futures in Liverpool, for April-May, and New York, for July :—

	Liverpool.	New York.
April	7th ..... 4'11	7'59
"	8th ..... 4'10	7'58
"	10th ..... 4'12	7'56
"	11th ..... 4'10	7'54
"	12th ..... 4'11	7'50
"	13th ..... 4'9	7'49

Locally there is little change to report in the market except that during the early part of the week there was a better enquiry from exporters to Europe and Japan and the local mills, and business was consequently on a better footing. Prices have advanced slightly except for M. G. Bengals and Sind. Punjab have given way owing to free selling. Oomras are firm, particularly for high class lots for this month's delivery, as difficulty is experienced up-country in getting cotton up to a sea to tender. There has been some buying in the bazaar during the week against previous sales of these descriptions, but for the reason stated, sellers are scarce. Broach is in demand and prices are keeping up, while Saw-ginned and Westerns are rather dearer, Ocomptas are fetching high prices as ready cotton and are in good demand. During the week an export house is reported to have sold some lines of stapled Cotton to Mills consisting of M. G. Broach, Surat, Ocomptas and good staple Oomras such as Indus and "Chikhli" Khangaons-a-holes.

The "Barsi" market for New Crop, next year's delivery, continues quiet with little or nothing doing. The Association during the past week have been small, and we quote to-day Rs. 216 for good M. G. Broach, delivery 15th-25th March 1906 and Rs. 172 for fully good Bengals, delivery 15th-25th January 1906.

COTTON STATISTICS.

	Bales.
Receipts for the week	74,232
Receipts from 1st Oct. to 6th April.	1,773,711
Shipments for week to Europe	6,547
Do. China, Japan, and Coast Ports	22,960
Total	29,407
Total Shipments from 1st Oct. to 6th April.	
Europe	239,210
Japan	509,359
China	17,695
Coast Ports	21,330
Total	587,604
Afloat in Harbour for Europe	4,801
China, Japan, and Coast Ports	32,095

LIVERPOOL OPENING TELEGRAM.

Tone—steady.
Estimated sales ..... 8,000 bales.
Imports ..... nil

April-May	May-June	June-July
4'09 −1	4'09 −1	4'11 −1
July-Aug.	Aug.-Sept.	Sept.-Oct.
4'12 −1	4'13 −1	4'15 unchgd
Oct.-Nov.	Nov.-Dec.	Dec.-Jan.
4'16 unchgd	4'17 unchgd	4'18 unchgd

COTTON.—The market closed quiet but steady, the demand having slackened somewhat, but prices are well maintained except for Bengals and Sind.

Official quotations of the Bombay Cotton Trade Association, Limited :—

Bengal (M.G.) (Ry. terms)	164	152	...	25 April.
Bengals, M. G. Ry terms	168	158	...	
Sind-Punjab M. G.	167	157	...	
Oomrawatee (Ocompta) (M.-G.)	180	174	...	
Khandeish do.	168	162	...	
Jalgaon do.	170	164	...	
Khundwa do.	174	168	...	
Khangaum fair staple (M.G.)	180	174	...	
Karanja do. do. do.				
Agola do. do. do.				
Oomra, good staple (M.G.)	189	183	...	
Dhamangaum Poolgaum (M.G.)	185	179	...	
Nagpore and Kampti do.	191	185	...	
Broach (M.G.) ...	202	196	195	
Dharwar (S.-G) ...	...	...	195	25 May
Westerns ...	...	...	185	do

SEEDS AND WHEAT.

LINSEED.—The market has ruled steady and the fluctuations have been slight. A fair business has been done during the interval at and about our quotations.

RAPESEED has been firmer and rates have advanced ½ to 3 annas per cwt with a moderate business passing.

POPPYSEED.—The market has been quiet but steady, and business has been done during the week at Rs. 7 2-0 per cwt.

CASTORSEED is quiet but steady with a small business doing. Rates are unchanged.

GINGILLYSEED—There is very little doing in this market. Arrivals are on even a smaller scale than they have been lately, and there are practically no stocks. A small business is doing in Yellow kinds.

WHEAT is steadier, and there has been rather more doing in this markets. We quote as under :—

LINSEED—Tone easier.

	Rs	a	p
Ready sellers	6	7	0
Forward May Suttah ...	6	11	0
RAPESEED—Tone steady.			
Brown Cawnpore, Ready ...	6	2	0
Do. Forward May ...	6	2	0
Yellow Cawnpore, Ready ...	6	9	0
Yellow Guzerat Ready ...	6	10	0
POPPYSEED—Tone quiet.			
Ready	7	2	0
Forward May-June	7	4	0
CASTORSEED—Tone steady.			
Ready ...	27	8	0
GINGELLYSEED.—Nothing doing.			
Yellow Khangenghat sellers ...	49	0	0
WHEAT.—Tone steady.			
White Delhi ready ...	4	9	0
Do. Do April-May ...	4	8	0

Week's arrivals of Cotton, Wheat and Seeds into Bombay :—

Cotton	74,232 bales
Wheat	171,473 cwt
Linseed	132,193 "
Rape and Mustard	12,293 "
Gingellyseed	6,483 "
Poppyseed	11,205 "
Groundnuts	15,700 "
Castorseed	9,757 "
Rice	192,5 2 "
Myrabollams	27,499 "
Cottonseed	74,993 "
Mowrseed	105 "
Gram	4,100 "
Joowar	130,505 "
Maize	212 "

FREIGHTS.

There has been very little doing in this market during the past week. Ready lots have been booked at 13s. Dunkirk and 13s. 6d. Antwerp. For June, July, August small lots, picked ports, have been done at 13s. 9d. and 14s., but sellers do not appear willing to go on at these rates, and are asking 3d. to 6d. more.

The following Charters are reported.

S. S. Inconca April loading at 14s. p. p.
S. S. Argyle late May for Bracelona at 15s.

MONEY.

BANK RATE—

Bank of England since	9th March	2 1-2	per cent
Bank of Bombay do	14th April	5	do
Bank of Bengal do	14th do	5	do
Bank of Madras do	3rd do	7	do

The following is the Weekly Statement of the Bank of Bombay for the week ending 1st April as compared with that of the previous week :—

LIABILITIES

Public Deposits	Rs	2,83,187	Increase
Other Deposits	"	33,47,368	do.
Sundries	"	42,573	do.
ASSETS.			
Government Securities ...	Rs	10,672	do.
Other Authorised Securities ...	"	4,35,140	do.
Credits on Securities ...	"	4,72,791	Decrease
Loans, do. ...	"	12 14,990	do.
Bills discounted & purchased ...	"	10,14,943	Increase
Balance with other Banks ...	"	10,428	do.
Sundries	"	21,121	do.
Cash	"	37,64,092	do.

The Bank of Bombay Weekly Cash balance is 37 1-2 lakhs up and the Bank rate has been reduced to 5 per cent per annum.

The Bank of Bengal Weekly Cash Balance is unchanged and the Bank rate has again been reduced this week by 1 per cent, and now stands at 5 per cent per annum.

The Bank of Madras Weekly Cash balance is 4 lakhs up and the Bank rate is unchanged at 7 per cent per annum.

COUNCIL BILLS.

The total amount of Council Bills sold during the week ending on Tuesday evening was 60'40 lakhs. At the weekly allotment on Wednesday 50 lakhs was put up for tender of which amount 45'20 lakhs was taken in Bills at 1s 3 31-32d and 5'70 lakhs in Telegraphic Transfers at 1s 4d. Tenders at this rate receiving 16 per cent. The rates at which Bills are selling to-day are 1s 3 31-32d and 1s 4d. Less or than last week. For next week Rs. 2 crores are advertised for sale by tender to be held on Monday 17th instant. The Secretary of State for India will sell 20 lakhs on Bombay and 20 lakhs on Madras at 1s 4d and 2 lakhs extra T.T., on Bombay at 1s 4 1-32d.

The mail of the 31st March brings £110,000 silver and £70,000 gold for Bombay, and also £100,000 gold for Calcutta, and the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	Rs.	34,40,000
Bombay	"	25,50,000
Madras	"	2,70,000
Total...	Rs.	62,50,000

The mail of the 7th April brings £210,000 silver, and £40,000 gold for Bombay and £7,000 silver for Hongkong and the following Council Bills :—

Calcutta	Rs	40,50,000
Bombay	"	4,50,000
Madras	"	4,40,000
Total...	Rs.	49,40,000

The mail of the 14th April brings £40,000 silver and £100,000 gold for Bombay and £40,000 silver and £30,000 gold for Calcutta and the following Council Bills.

Calcutta	Rs.	34,50,000
Bombay	"	6,65,000
Madras	"	4,50,000
Total...	Rs.	45,70,000

EXCHANGE.

The Secretary of State sold on Wednesday last the 50 lakhs Council drafts offered at 1s 3 31-32d. Demand and 1s 44 T.T., these rates being 1-32d less than last week's prices.

There is very little to report in this market during the past week. Sterling Exchange is quiet at 1s 3 31-32d T.T, and Demand ready and forward. Mercantile paper 3 months' sight D-A bills are quoted 1s 4 5-32d and 6 months' 1s 4 1-4d to 1s 4 7-32d; Frances are 169 3-4 and Marks 133. One bank has been a buyer to-day at 1s 4 1-8d, 3 months' D-A. for the mail, but at the close the rate is doubtful.

BOMBAY TONE quiet.

Bank T. T.			1s. 3 31-32d
Bank Demand			1s 3 31-32d
Credit Bills 3 Months' Sight		D.-A.	1s 4 0-32d.
Do	6 do	do	1s 4 1-4d to 7-32d.
French Francs	8 do	do	169 3-4
Marks	8 do	do	133
Guilders	30 Days' Sight		134 1-2
Shanghai	30 do	do	188
Japan	30 do	do	149

GOVERNMENT PAPER.

During the past week the paper market has ruled firly steady and the fluctuations have been slight. Cheaper money must have its effect on Rupee paper and the Bank of Bengal has again to-day reduced its minimum rate for advances against sums by a further 1 per cent, thus making the rate 5 per cent, per annum. Advices of the anticipated naval conflicts in the Far East are eagerly awaited. Since writing the above the Bank of Bombay has also reduced its minimum rate to 5 per cent per annum, and the market closes steady at the under mentioned rates, which show an advance of the 1/4 per cent on last mail's quotations.

3 1-2 per cent. cash			99-2
3 1-2 per cent. 1st May			99-1
3 per cent. ready			88-4
	Repayable.		Rate.
6 per cent Bombay Port Trust	...	1931	104 0
4 per cent "	"	...1930	105 0
4 per cent "	"	...1932	105 0
4 per cent "	"	...1934	105 10
4 per cent Bombay Municipal		...1934	104 8
6 per cent "	"	...1943	104 8
6 per cent "	"	... Taxes	120
5 per cent "	"	... Sanitary	117
4 per cent Bo. Imp. Trust		1959	103 8
4 per cent "	"	...1964	103 12

BULLION.

During the past week there has been a rise in silver in sympathy with the advance in prices advised from London. Owing to the continuation of the war, a bullish feeling has again got in, and we close steady as under :—

	Rs.	a.	p.
English Bar Gold	23	15	6
Australian Bar Gold	24	0	3
Bombay do	24	0	0
English Shield Sovereigns	15	2	6
Do. Dragons	15	0	0
Silver ex-duty Ready	65	15	0
Do. 1st contract	65	15	0
Do. 2nd do.	65	15	0

PIECE GOODS.

The market is quiet.—The demand from up-country is conspicuous by its absence, but this is due to the increased plague mortality, and consequent stagnation of business in many centres. Prices are for the most parts unchanged but steady for forward delivery. There is nothing doing.

LOCAL TERMS.

The following telegrams have been received from China, during the week :—

	Unsold.	Uncleared.	Weekly sales.
Shanghai.....	58,000	40,000	1,000
Hong Kong	33,000	23,000	1,500
	91,000	63,000	3,100

154,000 bales.

The local market is steady, and prices are unchanged. During the past week sales are reported of about 4,000 bales.

METALS.

COPPER AND YELLOW METALS. These markets are quiet, and in Yellow Metal business is doing, but at much under home equivalents.

IRON AND STEEL. The market is quiet, except for bars and hoops in which some business has been done, but at low rates.

SPELTER AND QUICKSILVER are quiet with nothing doing.

COALS.

There has been a marked improvement in this market since we last wrote, but the demand has been chiefly confined to ENGLISH descriptions, South Yorkshire for near sailing having been placed at Rs. 13, while for lots further ahead, importers are asking an advance of 8 annas per ton. In Cardiff offers of Rs. 16 per ton have been made without leading to business.

In BENGAL coal there has also been a rather better enquiry and we hear of sales of Dishergharr and Seebpore at Rs. 11-8 and Rs 11-6 respectively, while for a line of 3,000 tons Heilgers Standard Rs. 10-10 have been paid.

SHARES.

The market is steady and unchanged. Bank of Bombay shares have changed hands at Rs.1,330, and are in demand at the rate. In Railway Companies, Tapti Valleys have improved to Rs. 405, C. D. and Ahmedabad Prantej have changed hands at Rs. 505. In Miscellaneous list, Badhan Piles have changed hands at Rs. 163, Bombay Burmahs are steady at Rs. 8,200, and quarter shares at Rs. 2,100. Bombay Flours have declined to Rs. 700. Kemps are quiet at Rs. 248. Treachers have changed hands at Rs. 625. Bombay Telephones are unchanged at Rs. 292, Marcks have changed hands at Rs. 138, Port Canning are steady at Rs 493. In Press shares, Mouseils have changed hands at Rs. 580, English Press at Rs. 40, Bezars are quiet, Jewraj Balloo have declined to Rs. 410, Khandeish are steady at Rs 680, Khatau Makanji have changed hands at Rs. 475, Leopolds are quiet at Rs. 102, Maneckji Petits have improved to Rs. 2,520. Morarjis have changed hands at Rs. 2,175, Scolapurs are steady at Rs. 2,625, Queen have improved to Rs. 815, Ripon are quiet at Rs. 750, Sasoon Mill shares are steady at Rs. 925. Sassoon Silk have changed hands at Rs. 575, and they have improved to Rs. 590. Southern Marathas are quiet at Rs. 197 1/2. Standards are quiet at Rs. 682, Swadeshis in the middle of the week changed hands at Rs. 1,230 and later on they have improved to Rs. 1,340 Kohinoors have ruled between Rs 595 and Rs. 600, Indian Cotton have changed hands at Rs. 148 3-4. In Mill shares, Alliance are quiet at Rs. 165, Bombay United is steady at Rs. 145, Bombay Cotton have changed hands at Rs. 537 1-2, Central Indias are steady at Rs. 1,815, Chinas have improved to Rs. 785, Connaughts have changed hands at Rs. 500. Colaba Land after touching Rs. 640 have again improved to Rs. 645, Coorla Mill shares are steady at Rs. 745, Currim, bhais have improved to Rs. 785. Davids to Rs. 365. Framji Petit are quiet at Rs. 990. Howard and Bulloughs have changed hands at Rs. 490, Indian Manufacturing are quiet at Rs. 730, Hindustan have changed hands at Rs. 625. Western Indias have ruled at and about Rs. 57C, James Greaves are unchanged at Rs. 415. Jamabedi are quiet at Rs. 152 1-2. Luxmi Cotton are unchanged at Rs. 1,300. Ahmedabad Advance are unchanged at Rs. 650 the rest are unchanged at previous quotations.

REUTER'S AGENCY understands that the Advisory Committee for Plague Investigation in India, which has been appointed by the Royal Society and the Lister Institute in conjunction with the India Office has for its object the study of the bacteriology of plague and not the question of the administration of plague work. The chairman of the committee who has been nominated by the India Office, is Surg.-Gen. Branfoot, president of the Medical Board of the India Office, the other members being Sir Michael Foster and Dr. J. Rose Bradford, both nominees of the Royal Society, and Col. David Bruce and Dr. Charles J. Martin, both nominees of the Lister Institute. The secretary to the committee is Dr. A. E. Boycott. Dr. Martin, who has already sailed for India, is due to reach Bombay about April 14. He will then make the necessary arrangements for laboratory accommodation, &c. Two rat-rinologists will be sent out from England, probably in a few weeks' time, or later information from Dr. Martin. Two members of the Indian Medical Service have also been lent by the Indian Government for the work in India. The other two will probably travel over the plague areas in order to expound what the Committee of the Royal Society in India would be. The Committee is expected to remain in India for two or three years. The Advisory Committee will sit in London.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

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EUROPE.

BIRTHS.

CHOLMELEY—March 12, at Woking, wife of N. G. Cholmeley, I C S of a Son
BOWLE-EVANS—March 23, at Abbottabad, India, wife of Capt C H Bowle-Evans, Indian Medical Service of a daughter

MARRIAGES.

HATHORN—TRESSIDER—March 21, at St Paul's, Chester, G Campbell, son of the late Major J G Hathorn, R A (Staff Ordnance Dept, Bengal Establishment), to Mabel Emily, daughter of the late Surg-Gen J N Tressider (late Majesty's Indian Medical Service)
HUNT—SMITH—March 21, at Wheathampstead, Commander G F E Hunt, R N, D S O, late Majesty's ship Empress of India, to Cecilia Teresa, daughter of Sir C G Smith, G C M G
JONES—JENNINGS—Feb 25 at Christ Church, Fort Blair, Andaman Isles, Capt R C R Jones, the King's Regt son of Major-Gen R R Jones late Royal Art to Edith Elizabeth Valentina, daughter of the late T V Jennings
KEITH—PIKE-COFFIN—March 21 at St Paul's Onslow Square Capt M Keith Bonthian, Rifles to Louise Emily daughter of the late J R Pike Coffin
TAURTON—PYDDOKE—March 21, at St Margaret's, Hagnaby, Gloucestershire, Lieut L R Turton R N, son of the late Commander R L Turton R N, to Elizabeth Kathaline, daughter of the late Rev R Pyddoke
WELLS—LEMPRIERE—March 15, at Hong Kong, H L Wells, lieutenant, Royal Navy, son of the Rev H M Wells, of Stanton, Twyford, Bucks, to Eleanor, daughter of the late G R Lempriere, Captain, South Hampshire Regiment
WINGATE—HENDERSON—March 23, at St Mary's, Wareham, Dorothy rose, daughter of Mr and Mrs G F Henderson, to Capt B S Wingate, Royal Army Medical Corps, son of Col and Mrs T G Wingate

DEATHS.

ALLDRIDGE—March 21, at Montana, Paignton, G M Alldridge, captain Royal Navy (retired), aged 66.)
BROOKE—March 21, Woolgreaves, Wakefield wife of the Ven Archdeacon Brooke, and daughter of the late Major Gen C Godby, C B.
JARVIS—March 23, at Lyford House, Weston super Mare, Somerset, General S P Jarvis C M G late 52nd Regt, aged 85.
MACKINNON—March 21, at Weybridge Surrey Lieut Col H W A Mackinnon D S O Army Medical Service (retired) age 63
THOMAS—March 23, at Gloucester Street widow of the late J L Thomas F S A, formerly chief surveyor, War Office and elder daughter of the late Hon H G Hodge barrister-at-law, aged 73

BOMBAY.

DEATH.

BATLIVALA—April 14, at his residence, New Marine Lines, Fort, Hormusjee Sorabjee Rustomjee Batlivala, (of sudden rupture of the heart), aged 59. Funeral to leave this (Saturday) morning at 8.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

BAKER—April 6, at Westbury, Ootacamund, the wife of Captain C N Baker, Military Accounts Department, of a daughter.
LOWE—April 8, at Vellore, the wife of H A P Lowe, P W Inspector, M R, of a son.

DEATH.

ROBINSON—April 4, at Dharamsala, killed instantly by the cartridge, Sophia Alice, the beloved wife, and Alice Marion and Edith Beryl, the beloved daughters of Brevet-Colonel G H Robinson, 1st Goorkha Rifles.

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THE P and O Co's steamer Pekin, 5521 tons, Captain W W Cooke, sailed yesterday for Kobe via Singapore with a general cargo.

THE steamer Melbourne, 2431 tons, Captain J Grade, sailed yesterday for Marseilles via Marmugoa with a general cargo and M Percy as a passenger.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Sealda, 3437 tons, Captain G Brown, will sail to-day for Rangoon, &c, with a general cargo, and 2 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Dumra, 762 tons, Captain J V Lovgaard, sailed yesterday for Karachi via Cutch Mandvi, with a general cargo and 65 deck passengers.

THE steamer Inkosha, 2203 tons, Captain W O Moore arrived in harbour yesterday from Mauritius 3rd April with a cargo of sugar and 11 deck passengers.

THE Hall Line steamer Aston Hall, 2332 tons, Captain C McFee, arrived in harbour on Tuesday from Liverpool 14th March, with a general cargo and 2 deck passengers.

THE B I S N Co's steamer Vadala, 2164 tons, Captain J Skinner, arrived in harbour yesterday from Calcutta via Coast Ports with a general cargo and 2 deck passengers.

THE German East Africa Line steamer Sultan, 1761 tons, Captain C Burmeister, arrived in harbour yesterday from Dar-es-Salaam via Zanzibar, &c, with a general cargo, 7 cabin and 378 deck passengers.

VESSELS IN THE HARBOUR.—APRIL 14.

Vessel.	Ton.	Cap.	Destination, Date.	Agent.
India	3391	Forbes		M & Co
Rhea (Dutch)	14	South		The Captain
Peregalis		Capt. Abrahamsen	Persian Gunboat	
Nyanza	2642	Maganly		T & Co
Vitava	219	Stohl		M & Co
Dreghorn Castle	4107	Allnutt		Wallace Co
Okavo	3439	Fenwick		M M & Co
Madura	1215	Samuel		M M & Co
Dagfred	692	Ellingsen		P F O & Co
Okhla	3150	Lowis		M & Co
Zanzia	2339	Clarke		M M & Co
Sealda	3437	Brown		B I S M & Co
Penmeulet	2219	Palmer		P & O Co
Clan Ferguson	4107	Monilaw		P M & Co
Bengal	1257	Phillips		P & O Co
Caledonia	3529	Tosque		P & O Co
Sultan	1761	Burmeister		A Strandes
Vadala	2164	Skinner		M M & Co

VESSELS IN DOCKS.

PRINCE'S DOCK.

Shed.	Vessel.	Ton.	Capt.	Destinations.	Date.	Agents.
A	Malta	3990	Peters	Shanghai	18-4	P & O Co
1	Aston Hall	2332	McFee	Liverpool	29-4	K Nixon & Co
D	Delhi	2230	Scarr	Antwerp	19-4	M & Co
G	Fuji	948	Ahmed	Singapore	17-4	Shapoji & Co
H	K D'Orion (sup)	1057	Durban		15-4	M K & Co
N	Arvistan	1821	Headford	Avonmouth	19-4	E Latham & Co
O	Nuddea	1954	Johnson	Algoa ports	19-4	M M & Co
P	Volo	2246	Goss	Sunk	2-4	K Nixon & Co
Q	Freda	2005	Chapman	B S ports	19-4	B & P S N Co

M. D. D.

Afghan	1139	Dexter	Not Fixed	H C Joosub

VICTORIA DOCK.

2	Olympia	3529	Osborne	Liverpool 22-4 W & A Graham & Co
3	Isabella	6781	Greco	Genoa 17-4 G Cavasso
6	Nyanza	2641	Macaulay	Kobe 22-4 T Morrison & Co
7	Riverdale	2222		Kobe 20-4 T Morrison & Co
9	Antwerp	2062	Armstrong	Antwerp 8 Nixon & Co
10&11	Barcelona	3574	Blodriesse	Barracoa 22-4 Glande & Co
12	Egypt	1173	Lowden	Suez 19-4 M M & Co
14	Limes	942	Williams	Karachi 18-4 M M & Co
15	Dromondy	2353	Svabs	Genoa 22-4 T M & Co
16	Asagent	144	Cooke	Dubai 22-4 J Morison & Co

ARRIVALS.

Apl.	Vessel.	Commander.	From.
13	Aston Hall	McFee	Liverpool, Mar 14
14	Vadala	Skinner	Calcutta, Mar 24
	Sultan	Burmeister	Durban, Mar 15
	Dalodoula	Pocque	London, Mar 24
	Inkonka	Moore	Mauritius, April 3

DEPARTURES.

Apl.	Vessel.	Commander.	Destination.
14	Dwarka	Williams	Persian Gulf
	Golobaria	Watkeys	Calcutta
	Perlo	Jooke	Goa
	Dumra	Lovgaard	Karachi
	Melbourne	Garde	Marseilles
	Lord Kelvin	McClure	Calcutta
	Uganda	Cunningham	Calcutta

The steamer Sealda, Captain Brown, obtained her port clearance yesterday for Rangoon, &c.

The steamer Sultan, entered for loading yesterday for Zanzibar, &c.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

April	Vessel.	From
12	Gwalior	Rangoon
12	Pentacota	Negapatam

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

TUTICORIN, APRIL 14.

The Chartered steamer Oceanay, arrived 3 p.m. to-day.
The Fiorio and Rubattino Co's steamer Capri, left Hongkong for Bombay on 13th instant.
The Austrian Lloyd's steamer Silesia, left Colombo on the evening of the 13th instant and is due here on the 17th instant at daybreak.

DAILY EXPORTS.—APRIL 14.

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Olympia 33 bales wool G Gungadas 19 bales wool E Samjee 14,00 cwts wheat Sandy and Co; 302 cwts kurdeeseed and 50 cwts cashewnuts 100 cwts dilseed and 313 cwts nigerseed Banji and Krasse; 19 bales wool F F Campbell and Co; 155 bales wool W and A Graham and Co; 300 bales cottonity C Haijee and Co; 185 bales wool H G M Gordhan; 125 bales wool S Jamshamsed; 69 bales wool 160 Bombay Co spun; 125 bales wool hemp P Bhimjee 330 cwts myrabollams P Lukhidas and Co; 100 bales hemp Keridio 100cwt and Co

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FOR GENOA.

Dromondy 8—1500 bales cotton Ram Brog; 1001 cwts rapeseed A Bhaisbok and Co; 1000 cwts linseed J A Begbie and Co

FOR HAMBURG.

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FOR AVONMOUTH.

Arvistan 8—2410 cwts cottonseed Rallis Bros,

FOR SHANGHAI.

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FOR HONGKONG.

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DIVINE SERVICE.

PALM SUNDAY, APRIL 16.

ST. THOMAS' CATHEDRAL.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion—Choral Merbecke, Hymns—95, 317 and 320.
3 p.m.—Children's Service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Canticles—
Antiens.—Chants.
Psalms—93, 95 and 97—II
Collections for—A C S
Daily Matins at 9-45 a.m. and Evensong at 5.
Daily Holy Communion at 7-15 a.m.

ST. PETER'S, MAZAGON.

6 a.m.—Holy Eucharist.
7 a.m.—Matins.
7-30 a. m.—Procession and Choral Eucharist—Preacher Rev U A Masoo.
6 p.m.—Evensong (Choral)—Preacher Rev Father Langmore.
Alms for Church Expenses.

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH.

7-30 a.m.—Matins.
8 a.m.—Holy Communion.
Hymns—86, 267 and 107.
5 p.m.—Children's service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.
Hymns—92, 241 and 104.
Offertories for Church Expenses

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH,
(Church of Scotland.)

8 a.m.—Joint Morning Service.
6 p.m.—Evening service
Psalm—103 Tune 86.
Hymn—102.
Hymn—224.
Hymn—227.

CHRIST CHURCH, BYCULLA.

7-30 a. m.—Matins.
8 a. m.—Holy Communion (Choral).
4-15 p.m.—Children's service.
6 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

CHURCH OF ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, PAREL.
(Madras Time)

8 a.m.—Celebration of the Holy Eucharist
8-30 a.m.—Matins
3-30 p.m.—Sunday School.
6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon

MISSION CHURCH, GIRGAUM.

7-45 a.m.—Morning Prayer and a Sermon.
6 p.m.—Evening Prayer Holy Communion and Sermon.
Collections for Church Expenses and Poor

THE UNITED FREE CHURCH OF SCOTLAND,
(Waudby Road.)

8 a.m.—Children's Service.
8 a.m.—United Service (St. Andrew's Church)
6 p.m.—Evening service—Rev Alex S Crichton
Hymns—343, 35, and 10.
Psalm—100.

ST. NICHOLAS' SHAMEN'S CHURCH,
(Frere Road.)

6-30 p.m.—Evensong and Sermon.

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REGIMENTAL ORDERS BY LIEUT-COL. E. FERRERS NICHOLSON, V. D. COMMANDING.
Bombay, April 15, 1905.

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By Order,
G. D. PRICE, Captain,
Adjutant B. V. R.

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REGIMENTAL ORDERS, BY LT.-COL. LOUIS F. RUSSELL, COMMANDING B. V. A.
Bombay, April 15, 1905.

1 Members are requested to return their Arms and Accoutrements to Head-Quarters as soon.
2 The following Brigade order is published for information.

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By Order,
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Asst A. A.

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SATURDAY, APRIL 15, 1905.

MOZAMBIQUE.

MOZAMBIQUE is the best known of the Portuguese Colonies. From Vasco da Gama down, the great colonisers of the world have visited it and left traces of their passage or their rule. Portuguese, French, English, Dutch have all been there; but Portugal has made the most enduring mark, her pillars are still standing along the coast, ruins of her ancient fortresses and her churches remain as monuments of this great navigating people. A volume, recently issued "Le Mozambique" by Almada Negreiros, gives the history of the Colony, In this, the writer desires to demonstrate that Portugal is the classic land of colonisation, the initiator of the colonising crusade, the first standard-bearer of European civilisation in barbarous countries. The island of Mozambique was discovered by Vasco da Gama, on the first of March 1498, on his way to India. His exploring fleet was a very little one, consisting of only four vessels, the crews totalling one hundred and sixty; the largest vessel, in which Vasco da Gama himself sailed, was a hundred-ton three master, not much of a ship to face the dangers of the Ocean. It was not until 1505 that a settlement was formed in Mozambique, attracted by the trade in ivory and the already famous mines of Monomotapa, the gold produced annually being estimated at twenty-five million kilogrammes. The Portuguese ships' flag displayed the sword and the cross interlaced to show that conversion and conquest were equally aimed at. The first fortress was erected beside the first church at Sofala in 1506, and a bishopric was established in Mozambique in 1534. St. Francis Xavier landed here in 1542, on his way to India. Affonso d'Albuquerque selected Mozambique as the entrepot of trade between Europe and Asia, and it was he who first had the great idea of constructing a Suez Canal. Francis Barreto headed, in 1569, two expeditions to the gold and silver bearing provinces on the Zambesi. One section of these expeditions, numbering a thousand Europeans with some guides and a large body of slaves, went up the river above the cataracts, seeking for its source. Protected by forts, factory establishments began to rise up at different points. Attacks by the Turks and Moors, were, however, frequent, and the Indian element was even then taking deep roots on the East Coast of Africa. The first Governor of Mozambique was Francis Barreto, who took the title of Captain-General. In 1570, the Sultan of Zanzibar, declared himself a vassal of Portugal, but fifteen years later the Negroes revolted and massacred the white population of the Island of Mozambique. Trade in slaves was the privilege of Governors and Captains-General, and inspite of the best efforts of the Government, abuses were the rule. The Colony was not then very successful and the Dutch took advantage of its weakness to attack the chief fortress in the island and bar the way to Portuguese vessels going to India. The missionary and the military element entered the Colony hand in hand, the latter accompanied by their families. After them unfortunately came criminals banished from Portugal, and Banians from India were admitted in 1687. "Possessing the sobriety and the commercial instinct of the Chinese", writes this author, "these formidable competitors established themselves there, and took over the little European trade there was, and they have kept it until now." But in 1783, the banians were expelled and efforts were made to people the Colony anew. One enlightened Governor proposed that 4,000 Chinese women should be brought to Mozambique. Moors and Parsis came and settled. But the finances were low and one Governor, in despair at the emptiness of the State coffers, committed suicide in 1758. The very next year, the Jesuits were suppressed and their goods confiscated for the benefit of the Crown. Slavery was abolished in 1836, and during the last half of the century, Mozambique began to make progress in commerce, in exploration and in exploiting the riches of the land.

The first sight of Mozambique is not attractive. Up to Cape Corrente, the coast offers a sad scene of desolation. But it is well lighted, having now no fewer than 18 lighthouses. The country is marvellously rich in minerals, the rivers have auriferous beds, and gold is to be found in the quartz formation. At Tete, near the Zambesi, coal exists in abundance, as well as in other districts, and copper and iron are found near the Limpopo. Mr. Sawyer, an English engineer, has stated in a scientific report on the region that its gold and diamond bearing fields are at least as important as those of the Transvaal Mozambique possesses in her rivers inexhaustible sources of great wealth. The Zambesi, one of the chief rivers of the world, is the largest and the Limpopo, the Incomati and a long list of other considerable streams fertilise the province and are, most of them, navigable for many miles. The Portuguese Government has established, in the rich alluvial districts, model farms, which have been of much benefit to local agriculture. No less than one hundred and fifty steamers are employed on an international service on the Zambesi and the Chire since 1903. There are excellent anchorage ports on the coast; these and the river ways provide the country with means of communication and of transport for her numerous products. Within the Colony there are 2,700 miles of telegraphic lines open. The Europeans in Mozambique are few, only 15,000, mostly Portuguese. The native annual exports, $130,000, has stagnated in regard to those of former years. The chief exports are of climate, Mozambique has both a rich and varied vegetation. The littoral is invaded by mineral forests, which are aggravated by the almost complete absence of hygienic measures, local or personal. The valleys, where the most glorious tropical flora flourish, are bad places for the white man. The district which the Zambesi waters is about the most unhealthy of all, and there even an elevation of three thousand feet does not neutralise malaria. But the higher levels of the Chire and Nyassa are suitable for European colonies. Lorenzo Marques has a climate somewhat similar to that of Natal, with two seasons, the dry and the rainy. The Province is fertile even beyond the dreams of agricultural avarice. Coffee grows naturally in Tete, and grain does well there also. Tea has been tried at Inhambane with satisfactory results. his district produces a coffee bean as small as a grain of corn, but of an exquisite flavour. Maize, rice, tobacco and sugar-cane flourish everywhere. The natives exchange for European wares rubber, copra, white-wax and the skins of wild animals. The uplands are covered with great forests of the most valuable timbers; cereals, fruit, flesh, game, fish, gold, iron and all the plants that a fertile soil or tropical sun and an abundant rainfall can produce are found in profusion. The greater number of the ships appearing in the ports fly the British flag, the Portuguese come next and then French and German vessels. The Witwatersrand Native Labour Association engages in the Zambesi province from six to eight thousand natives monthly for work in the Rand mines. These generally return home when their contract has expired, and spend their earnings in exploiting Portuguese lands.

The seat of Government is at Lorenzo Marques, though the official capital is Mozambique, at the other end of the province. The progress of the Colony can best be realised by a study of the commercial returns of the former city and port. The trade in 1903 was more than thirteen times as great in volume as in 1892. The Governor-General has under him the district Governors of Mozambique, Zambesi, Lorenzo Marques, Inhamanue, Tete and Gaza. The Governor-General is both the civil and military head of the Colony, and is assisted by a Council composed of the chief officials of the province, and the Bishop of Mozambique. The financial administration is in a certain degree independent of the Governor. There is a Director of Public Works and different Municipalities arrange the civil affairs of the districts. Primary and technical education have made much progress in Mozambique. There are forty-seven primary schools at Lorenzo Marques and in Mozambique town, besides a high school and two schools of Arts and Trades, without counting all the teaching establishments of the Portuguese and Foreign Missions. The military forces of the province comprise infantry, cavalry and police, numbering 3,000, under European officers. The numerous Companies established to exploit the country have worked well in various directions, both commercial, agricultural as well as in developing the mineral resources. The "Zambesi Company," for instance, established in 1895, has made in its concessions good cart-roads, navigable canals and railways, which connect with Quillimane and the Macuze river. The Company has started agricultural industries over 300,000 coffee trees are flourishing, textile plants, cotton and the Ceara rubber have been introduced, sugar-cane fields produce annually more than 5,000 tons of sugar. Diamondiferous formations and alluvial gold have been discovered. Other Companies, allied or independent, give a splendid impulse, to trade and agriculture. The railways of the province date from 1870, when the construction of the Lorenzo Marques-Pretoria line was begun. After many vexatious vicissitudes, which cost the Portuguese Government dear, forty-eight miles were completed by 1887 by the merican MacMurdo. The Portuguese carried the line six miles further to the Transvaal frontier. Short as it is, it is one of the most important railways in Africa. The Beira-Umtali line was finished in 1896. Many others are projected or are under construction. M. Almada Negreiros has omitted nothing from his interesting and clear history of Mozambique. Several illustrations and an excellent map of the province add to the value of the book.

FUTURE ADMIRALS. The Committee which interviews British Admirals in embryo is composed of wise men. At any rate they understand the human boy. One of their chief difficulties in interviewing candidates for the qualifying examination for the Royal Naval College, Osborne, is caused by the nervousness of the boys. This has to be overcome before the capabilities of the future Nelsons and Fishers can be ascertained. Admiral Sir C. C. Drury, Second Sea Lord, suggests that boys may be put at their ease by asking them questions that will make them laugh. He qualifies this by the statement that a question that will make one boy laugh may make another cry. It all depends, of course, on the boy's sense of humour. It is possible that a Sea Lord trying to be funny might make an angel weep. And a boy with a well developed sense of the ludicrous might shed tears at the witticisms of an Admiral and the prospect that one day he might be even as his interrogator. It is a good sign, however, if the boy can laugh, even if it be only at the wise men who are probing his capabilities; and apparently a serious effort is made by the Interview Committee to get on good terms with the candidates. Commander Clyde Parker is described as having a wonderful way with the boys, and it is stated by one of the Committee that there will never be any nervousness if the officer selected for these Committees approaches the work in a similar spirit. The future of a boy depends so greatly upon the impression he may create during the ordeal of the interview, that in the interests of the navy it is worth while taking some care with the constitution and work of the Committee. Apart from this question, there are complaints regarding the educational qualifications of many of the candidates for the Royal Naval College. Dr. Burge, headmaster of Winchester, states that the boys sent up by some of the preparatory schools could not be said to have received any preliminary education, in the widest sense of the term, to fit them for the boy life at Osborne. It ought to be known that the Committee pay close attention to the 'general efficiency" of the school from which the candidate comes, and that boys who have not been educated on the regular lines of education given at the school in question, will be placed at a disadvantage in the examination. Dr. Burge does not insist on the necessity of preparatory school education as such, and still less does he insist upon the necessity of choosing boys from large or fashionable preparatory schools.

The point that is emphasised is the inadequacy of the education provided by some of the schools represented. Dr. Burge also complains that too many masters of preparatory schools send up reports of the boys in an unsatisfactory form, regarding them as purely formal documents. His suggestion that the schoolmasters should be encouraged to open out on the subject of the boy has been acted upon by the Committee. Mr. V. W. Baddeley, of the First Lord's Private Office, another member of the Interview Committee, observes a falling off in the number of first class private schools represented at the examination. He inclines to the view that some of the best schools, which supply "scholars" to the public schools, have been "crabbing" the new scheme, through a desire not to lose their more promising boys two years or eighteen months before they would ordinarily leave. Parents also are blamed for carelessness in selecting preparatory schools for their sons and hastily packing them off to crammers as soon as panic as to their chances of success in the examination seized them. Mr. Baddeley thinks that when the Board of Education has succeeded in secondary education work and established a register of efficient schools the Admiralty might be able to accept a list of qualified schools. No fault is found with the system of the Admiralty and Board of Education. It is certainly [illegible]

G. Ainger, late of Caius College, Cambridge, and formerly assistant master at Eton, to be a remarkably efficient instrument for its purpose. Canon Lyttelton, the new headmaster of Eton considers the examination thoroughly satisfactory as a general test of the fitness of the candidates. It is impossible to prophesy how a little boy will develop, he remarks, but, for estimating the present all round powers of a boy, this informal conversation, coupled with the paper test afterwards and the time at Osborne, affords the best method of examination yet devised in England. He adds that it is greatly to be desired that entrance to the army should be regulated on similar lines. The Rev. E. H. Earle defends the preparatory schools, and on the experience of the Interview Committee he does not think the ordinary boy of 12 years and eight months, the mean age of the Osborne candidates, has failed to reach the state of development that justifies his acceptance or rejection for the navy. Mr. Earle even raises the question of Greek for such candidates. Though far from an advocate of Greek for young boys, he believes many preparatory school masters would support him in urging the inclusion of Greek as an alternative subject for the Osborne literary examination. It is not that a knowledge of Greek would make the future Admiral a better sailor, but because the ordinary navy candidate who did not learn Greek would, on rejection for the navy, be at a considerable disadvantage for entering classical schools like Eton and Winchester, However that be, the reports of the Interview Committees are of interest as indicating the increasing demands for true education and efficiency.

THE REASONABLENESS OF ARCHITECTURE. MR. JACKSON has been giving some very interesting lectures at the Royal Institution on "The Reasonableness of Architecture" which have crumbled some of our most cherished fallacies. How often does the visitor to an ancient cathedral look up at the worn grey stones and muse on its quiet and peace in a world of motion and strife. But he is really gazing at something quite different. Mighty unseen forces are engaged in an active, unending conflict. The high vault over his head is a system of wedges driven home by the load on its back and struggling to throw itself asunder. It thrusts the flying buttresses outside, which hurl the force of the great rock-line piers and their allies, the weighty pinnacles that manfully withstand the stress and hold the great building in its place. He showed how the Gothic vault, like the arch and the subordination of orders, was suggested by the same definite reasons of economy and requirements of the time, and was no outcome of the caprice, fancy, or imagination of the artist. In the Roman vault the thrust was met by the mere inertia of mass and weight, but early Gothic builders with their poverty of material and labour, met the strain by counter-thrust of diagonal ribs and buttresses, thus establishing an equilibrium of forces. Mr. Jackson did not scruple to attack those who spoke of the symbolic intention of the lofty Gothic face soaring from the earth to the heavens. The Roman Church of the seventh and eighth centuries was not less in faith than the Church of the tenth which built the loftiest Gothic buildings, and it is interesting to remember that in the tenth century architecture passed from clerics to laymen.

THE Bank of Bombay yesterday reduced its rate of interest on demand loans on Government Paper to 5 per cent.

DR. C. T. MARTIN of the Lister Institute, who is a member of the Committee of the Plague Inquiry Commission arrived in Bombay yesterday by the English mail steamer Caledonia.

WE learn that Mrs. Framjee Petit has presented the sum of Rs. 25,000 to the Adams Wylie Memorial Hospital, Poona, 10,000 of which is to be expended in the erection of a special Phthisis Ward to be called by her name.

COLONEL G. H. ROBINSON, of the 1st Gurkhas, one of the sufferers by the Dharmsala disaster for whom public sympathy is naturally deepest, though severely bruised is not, we are glad to hear, in any danger from his injuries.

BALANCES held in cash in the Civil Treasuries of the Government of India and at credit of the Government in the Presidency Banks and their Branches on the last day of March 1903, Rs. 18,12,36,000; March 1904, Rs. 17,83,43,000; March 1905, Rs. 16,14,50,000.

THE following Imperial Decree was issued in Peking on the 17th ultimo:—"The 2nd day of the 3rd Moon (6th April) being the anniversary of the ceremony of sacrificing to the God of Agriculture, we will ourself proceed to the said altar to worship that deity." At this yearly ceremony, the Emperor of China personally ploughs a portion of ground in front of the altar, to set an example to the people and as a proof that the profession of agriculture is an honourable one.

THE Rai of Padrauna, who is one of the largest Zemindars in the Gorakhpur District, has started an Agricultural Bank which, judging from the Report for the year 1903-4, is already considered a great boon by the tenants on the estate. The Rai's brother, Rai Brij Narain Rai, is the honorary manager of the Bank, in which Rs 20,000 has been invested by the proprietor of the estate, and loans are advanced to tenants for agricultural purposes only on personal security at the rate of Rs 12 per cent per annum interest. During the three years the Bank has been working, Rs 33,770 have been advanced to 3,510 tenants.

LORD KITCHENER is usually a man of action, says the "World," and he is well maintaining his character in India. The home authorities have lately been persuaded:—very foolishly persuaded—to reduce the Corps of Royal Engineers by as many as 107 Officers. When Lord Kitchener became aware what was going on, he at once made a representation to the Government of India, and the result of his action is that a telegram has been received by the Secretary of State for War to this effect:—"Do not send the whole 107 Officers adrift; send 47 of them out here." And they are to be ordered out accordingly—"as soon as they can be spared."

IN connection with the recent severe earthquake in the North-Western Himalayas, it is useful to refer to a paper by Count F. de Montessus de Ballore, published in the Memoirs of the Geological Survey of India, Vol. XXXV, Part 3 in which he treated of the Seismic Phenomena of British India and their connection with its geology. The Count devoted himself in his paper to pointing out the unstable regions of British India. The Himalayas he pointed out had risen at a comparatively recent period in the world's history,—the tertiary. From the seismic point of view this region is not yet perfectly known, but the unstable regions are sufficiently so to establish their geological connexion. The region with which we are most concerned at the moment is that of the North-Western Himalayas. The whole region of the Himalayas according to Count de Ballore from the extreme west onward to Darjeeling and Assam is very unstable. Some Indian geologist, he tells us, think that the Himalayan chain have not yet done rising.

THE Legislative Council of the United Provinces met at Lucknow on Tuesday, when the Hon'ble Mr. Holmes presented the financial statement. The speeches of the Native Members as usual occupied a considerable amount of time, but they were mostly favourable to the administrative work of the past year, and to the measures adopted to mitigate the disastrous result of the phenomenal frosts of the earlier part of the year. Grateful acknowledgment was made of the far-reaching benefits which will accrue to all classes by the remission of the famine cess, and land revenue. As regarded the Government of India's allotment to the Provinces of about four crores of rupees, it was urged that this sum was not sufficient to carry on the administration on the same footing as that of other Provinces, six crores being the minimum required. The subject of the removal of the High Court from Allahabad to Lucknow was again brought forward. A strong plea was entered for the change, and also for a thorough revision of the whole system

...RY OF THE WAR.

IPLOMATIC CORRESPON-DENCE.

DETAINED STEAMER RELEASED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, APRIL 13.

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Correspondence published at Washington shows that Jap informed Mr. Griscom, the American Minister t Tokio, on the 6th February, 1904, that diplomatic relations with Russia were broken o, but there would be no declaration of war befor the withdrawal of the Russian legation which would be probably in two or three days' time and o hostilities would take place before the declaration.

BRITAIN AND FRANCE.

The Exchange of Naval Visits.

In connection with the visit of the French fleet to Portsmouth, the Corporation of London will entertain the French Officers at the Guildhall, on the 10th Augus, and arrangements are also being made for the French sailors to march through the City.

The Atlantic squadron visits Brest early in July.

THE ABYSSINIAN RAILWAY.

Menelik and the Powers.

AN INTERNATIONAL LINE.

King Menelik has summoned the representatives of the Powers to his Palace and notified that unless they come to an agreement regarding the extension of the railway to Addis Abeba, such agreement providing for the maintenance of the independence of Abyssinia and the internationalization of the railway, he will construct the extension himself. This decision is final.

This is noteworthy in view of the statement of M. Delcasse, on the 2nd inst., when he strongly objected to the internationalization of even the second section, the construction of which King Menelik ...y authorized, and declared both should retain the French charter wherof the French subsidy was granted.

MOROCCO AND FRANCE

Sultan and Reforms.

A REFERENCE TO THE POWERS.

LONDON, APRIL 14.

It is stated at Tangier that the Sultan of Morocco has replied to the French Mission declaring that he has already signed an agreement with France about the Algerian boundary, and that other reforms must be referred to the Powers, who are signatories to the Madrid Convention by which he is bound.

THE FISCAL QUESTION.

Reformers and Retaliation.

AN AGREEMENT WITH THE PREMIER.

A meeting of the Tariff Reform members of the House of Commons has been held, presided over by Mr. Chamberlain at which a deputation headed by Mr. Chamberlain was appointed to wait upon Mr. Balfour with a view to arranging a modus vivendi.

It is understood that the Chamberlainites have decided to confine the present fiscal programme to the policy of Mr. Balfour. The Duke of Devonshire's supporters are regarded as irreconcilables.

THE MAIL.

The Bombay Mails of 1st instant crrived at at Brindisi on the 12th instant.

THE AGRICULTURAL OUTLOOK.

DAMAGE TO PUNJAB CROPS.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 14.

To-day's telegraphic reports indicate that a good deal of damage has been done to the crops in the Punjab by the recent cloudy weather and the outturn of the spring harvest is expected to be below the average.

In the Madras Presidency, scarcity of fodder begins to be complained of, over a wide area, including parts of the Godaveri, the Deccan, Nellore, South and North Arcot, Salem and Tanjore districts.

In Bombay Presidency two thousand people are upon relief works in Ahmedabad, Kaira and the Panch Mahais and there is some difficulty about water in parts of Ahmedabad, the Panch Mahals, Khandesh, Nasik, Satara, Karnatik, and Baroda districts.

The reports from other parts of India continue favourable.

"GAZETTE OF INDIA" NOTIFICATIONS.

HOME DEPARTMENT.

Captains W. M. Pearson and C. Dykes, I.M.S., are posted temporarily to the United Provinces.

Major Wake, Cantonment Magistrate, Poona, has fifteen months' leave from next June.

Captain Wimberley, Cantonment Magistrate, Nowgong, has one year's leave from the 7th instant.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Brigadier General A. W. L. Bayly, is appointed Commander of the Indian Staff College.

Colonel R. G. W. Hepburne, is appointed to officiate in Command of the Presidency Brigade vice General Macdonald, on leave.

Captain Aitves, Chief Clerk of the office of the Director-General of Supply and Transport, has one year's leave.

Indian Army Majors Nicholls, Dawson and Stewart are gazetted Lieutenant-Colonels, and Captain Percy Cunningham, Major.

I. M. S. Majors Drury, Dyson, Rogers and Carroll are gazetted Lieutenant-Colonels.

Colonel C. H. Joubert, I. M. S., is permitted to retire.

THE MAHABLESHWAR SEASON.

POONA, APRIL 14.

Major-General Richardson, commanding the 6th Division, and Mrs. Richardson left Poona for Bombay en-route to England by to-morrow's mail for six months. Major-General Creagh has been appointed in his place.

Mahableshwar, this season, is not quite so filled up as last year. Probably, after the arrival of Lord Lamington, the season will commence. The seat of Government has been established. The polo ground is in good condition, but there is no play. Also, tent pegging, tilting at the ring and other games are not yet commenced. Only golf is going on.

Colonel Babyton Piers, of 102rd Mahratta Infantry, while returning from golf, stepped on a loose stone and has badly sprained his ankle.

Major Uloete, R. H. A., and Mrs. Cloete give theatricals.

Major Hawkins, 9th Lancers, came up to Mahableshwar on the 11th and took over the appointments of Assistant Military Secretary to Sir Archibald Hunter whilst Colonel Hunter is resigning.

Colonel Reynolds, A. D. C. to the Viceroy, has taken over the duties of D. A. G., Western Command vice Archibald Hunter, Major General Creagh who has been appointed to the command of Nasirabad.

THE EARTHQUAKE.

THE QUEEN'S KIND SYMPATHY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

SIMLA, APRIL 14.

H. E. the Viceroy has received the following telegram from Her Majesty the Queen :—

"I also am anxious to let the people in India know how deeply I sympathise with them in this terrible catastrophe which has caused such havoc and loss of life.

"If any public fund is raised I shall be happy to subscribe.

"I trust Lady Curzon is none the worse for her narrow escape."

THE NEED FOR RELIEF.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT).

AMRITSAR, APRIL 14.

Mr. Calvert, Assistant Commissioner, and his family are said to be safe.

Huge landslips have occurred in Rampur, but the loss of life has not been very great.

Reports from Jeoraj Tahsil, comprising the southern portions of the Kulu Valley, state that only a few lives have been lost, though house property has suffered considerably. We are assured that grain is plentiful in the Kulu Valley, and a bumper harvest is expected shortly, but large sums of money are required to rebuild the houses and make them fit for habitation. The sufferers, therefore, look to the Government and the charitable public for the required funds.

Relief measures are being adopted by Government, and orders have been issued to the Forest authorities to give wood free of charge when required for building purposes.

Several European survivors in Dharmsala are ruined for life as they were entirely dependent on the income derived from their house property. They certainly hope to be compensated in some degree by receiving money from the public funds. Government will also have to meet a heavy bill for new public buildings.

Mr. Holland, the Head of the Geological Department, has been requested by the Lieut.-Governor of the Punjab to make a special report as to the site as a whole and whether a new one can be obtained on the range at Dharmsala.

Relief for Kulu and Mandi is being sent from Simla.

GOVERNMENT MEDICAL AID.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT).

SIMLA, APRIL 14.

The following telegrams, dated 13th instant, from the Commissioner, Jullundur, have been received at Shahpur Kangra :—

"Major Smith reports everything going on satisfactorily in Kangra town. 2,200 of townspeople are being fed from supplies sent up from Pathankote and a few hundreds of others remain who do not accept food. The total number of survivors is reckoned at 3,000. He has two stationary hospitals in town and has started an itinerating one. A portion of the town named Kangra is cleared of the dead. Bhawar, the other portion, is being cleared rapidly with the aid of the Pioneers. But difficulty is caused by the great height and stability of the houses near the great temple. Crime is insignificant.

"Captain Mckechine reports about the wounded at Palampur and its neighbourhood : Mr. Williams' foot is amputated. Mrs. Gibson of Gopalpur whose back was bruised is doing well. Mr. Bradford of Palampur is badly cut and bruised. Mr. Millar, C.S., has a broken rib. Mrs. W. Ballard is bruised. Mr. Owen has a scalp wound. Mrs. Williams of Palampur is bruised and has abrasions.

"The people have food and are not starving. The roads are passable, though bridges are damaged. The tea garden coolies have fled. All the tea gardens, houses and factories are destroyed excepting Fitz Gerald's Baijnath and the Woodlands factory beyond Baijnath. The manufacture of tea, this year, probably is impossible.

"Supplies are coming in, an advance having been made from the treasury to the bazar merchants. Similar advances are also made to Europeans. Gangs of coolies are organized to bring the injured natives from the surrounding villages to Palampur.

"Raja Suket telegraphs that he is safe and though considerable damage has been done to the buildings, no very serious disaster has resulted in his State.

"The Sappers and Miners and a Double Company of pioneers are at work on the Shahpur-Palampur road. A second Double Company of Pioneers are at work at Kangra town.

"The following are, I think, reliable statistics collected by the Patwari and verified by Lambardars regarding the mortality in the two villages in the immediate neighbourhood of Dharmsala and considered to have suffered badly :—Gbaras, population 3,012, deaths 276. Sadher, population 547, deaths 26.

"The Lambardars are contented and ask for wood and grass for erec ing temporary huts. Ekkas can now reach Dharmsala Kotwali bazaar.

"In addition to the medical arrangements reported yesterday, a Military Assistant Surgeon, Karm, has been placed at the disposal of the Civil authorities for itinerating work in the villages round Shahpur. Colonel Bamber notes that there is no great demand in those parts of the valley for surgical assistance. Those who are slightly injured apply their own ordinary domestic remedies. As far as information is available, the number of injured is proportionately small compared to those who were killed."

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS, April 14.

Major G W Lilly, 83rd W L I, from leave from England.
Captain R L Matthews, R E from leave from England.
Captain R D A Fife, York Regt from leave from England.
Capt F Pritchard, 77th M R, on leave from Bangalore.
Major P de H Smith, C I H on leave from Bolarum.
Capt A W Hope, 83rd W L I on leave from Bellary.
Lieut J R Stevenson, A V D on leave from Lucknow.
Capt L M Harcourt, A S C, on leave from Lucknow.
Lieut-Col A P Harris, 5th L I on leave from Dinapore.
Lieut H G Miller, 1st R S Fusiliers, on leave from Bareilly.
Lieut F Fairlie, 1st R S Fus, on leave from Bareilly.
Major-General, Martin, Staff on leave, from Bareilly.
Lieut H B Reed, Gorhwal Rifles, from furlough from England.
Major R M Edwards; 13th Inft from leave, from England.
Major A L Walker, R F A, from leave from Bareilly.
Lieut H B Pophony, 1st Som L I, to rejoin Home Bn, from Cowspore.
Major R E Vaughan, S and T Corps from leave from England.
Capt R Wigram, 2 Goorkhas, on leave from Dehra Dun.
Lieut-Col E W B Creagh, R A M C, on leave from Fyzabad.
Lieut T W Robinson, R F A on leave from Fyzabad.
Capt C Ireland, 36 Sikhs, on furlough from Peshawar.
Lieut H L Haughton, 36 Sikhs, on furlough from Peshawar.
Lieut. Karslake, R H A, on leave, from Umballa.
Major Glasgow, Queens, on leave from Sialkote.
Lieut A M ssons, 82nd Sikhs, from leave from England.
Lieut G Airy, 83rd Sikhs, from leave from England.
Capt L M Harrison, R A M C from leave from England.
Major Lord Douglas Compton, 9th Lancers, from leave from England.
Captain G H Neale, Queens, on leave, from Sialkote.
Lieut Dyer, Queens, on leave from Sialkote.
Captain C M Ritchie, R H A, on duty from South Africa.
Capt H H Lie, The Cameronians, on leave, from Nowshera.
Capt E F Gordon-Tucker, I M S, on leave, from Mhow.
Major A T Rowlandson, 124th Baluchis, on leave from Poona.
Major C A Brown, 103th Inf, on leave from Mhow.
Lieut L W C Kerrich, 28th Cavalry from furlough from England.
Lieut R W H Pritchard Con Rangers, from furlough from England.
Col W D Gale, R E Con Rangers, from furlough from England.
Major-General G Richardson, G O C, on leave from Poona.
Lieut F Rose, 10th Hussars on leave, from Mhow.
Capt C W H Crichton, 10th Hussars, on leave from Mhow.
Capt H E Molesworth, R G A, on leave from Nowgong.
Lieut-Col A G Glanville, R F A, on leave from Chanak.

DEPARTURES, April 14.

Lieut J H G Fielding R E from leave to Karachi.
Capt G Hallowes Ord Regt on duty to Peroapore.
Major Lord Douglas Compton 9th Lancers from leave to Sawarkund.
Captain L W ... R E, Canal Party to Sialkote.
Lieut ... Dyer, ...

ENGLISH POLITICAL AND SOCIAL LETTER.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

LONDON, MARCH 31.

THE POSITION OF THE MINISTRY.

THAT the Opposition scored over the fiscal resolution proposed by Mr. Ainsworth last week, is undeniable. Mr. Joseph Walton's onslaught upon the Balfour policy of retaliation on Tuesday night, was not quite the same thing, but on the whole the advantage appears to be on the side of the attacking party, and not on that of the deserters of the citadel as they are called. It has also had the somewhat unexpected effect of causing the 'Daily Mail" which in its way exerts a good deal of influence to come out with two articles strongly urging an immediate dissolution. If certain appearances are not deceptive there is a growing widening of the breach between the whole-hoggers, and the Little Piggers to use the elegant parasology of the moment, and that this should be so is not to be wondered at. Mr. Balfour is not quite the enemy of Parliamentary institutions that some of his opponents try to make out, and it was probably not with a light heart that he issued his orders for a general retreat, when his own panacea came up for consideration at the hands of Mr. Walton. But the Prime Minister could not help himself. As Mr. Ainsworth's motion against Tariff Reform as proposed by Mr. Chamberlain was treated as an open question, it was not to be expected that Mr. Chamberlain would allow Mr. Walton's resolution against Retaliation to be treated on any other terms. All this is not calculated to produce a union of hearts on the benches to the right of the Speaker's chair, but what has contributed most to the present sullen attitude of the Chamberlainites towards the Balfourians is the facer given to the ex-Colonial Secretary by Lord Salisbury. I allude to the letter, which the President of the Board of Trade has written to the "Times" and which says "I feel bound to take notice of the references to the late Lord Salisbury's opinions upon the fiscal question which appear in Mr. Chamberlain's letter upon the choice of a candidate in Greenwich. There are, of course, reasons connected with my own position, which might have led me to be silent ; but it is clear that I have a special responsibility), which cannot be avoided that the views of my father should not be misapprehended. I think that he was for many years inclined to favour a policy of retaliation. How far he would have continued to hold that opinion under present circumstances, it is impossible to say. But I am obliged to add that he profoundly dissented from Mr. Chamberlain's fiscal policy." Mr. Chamberlain has not taken this lying down, but has sought to justify his letter to the electors of Greenwich by quotations from the speeches of the late Lord Salisbury. Apart from the justification or otherwise of Mr. Chamberlain's descriptions of the lamented and sadly-missed Conservative leader's views there is a widespread opinion that he ought not to have addressed such a letter to this particular constituency. That Mr Chamberlain is entitled to get his man in for Greenwich goes without saying, but to attempt to injure Lord Hugh Cecil by flinging at him the supposed views of his dead father is—well not exactly in the best taste. Lord Hugh is capable of taking care of himself and on Wednesday in addressing his constituents, he let himself go. Here are ones or two extracts from his speech :—"Mr. Chamberlain has not been all his life a member of the Conservative party. (Laughter). He entered it rather late in life (renewed laughter), and he is not, perhaps, so well acquainted with the rules that govern it as those who have been fortunate enough to be born within its ranks. Certainly it has never been the custom of the Conservative party to take its policy from what we are accustomed to call the caucus. (A voice.—'You have not followed it.') Singularly enough, Mr. Chamberlain makes no appeal to the authority of Mr. Balfour ; he appeals to the caucus, as though he were still dealing with some question of Radical municipal life in Birmingham in the seventies. (Laughter, cheers, and a voice, 'Just like Joey.'") Why did Mr. Chamberlain write a letter to the borough? Greenwich was not a suburb of Birmingham. The action of Mr. Chamberlain in writing to Radical candidates and Conservative alike showed a design to found in the party a Protectionist party to take the place of the old Conservative party. It was plainly now the intention to get rid of the old Conservative party and substitute one bound together by protection. He would create such a power in the utmost of his power not only in the interests of free trade, to which he so strongly adhered, but in the interests of Conservatism, in the interests of union between Great Britain and Ireland, the Established Church, the defence of property, and the just regulations of the relation of capital and labour. If Conservatism was once subordinated to a protectionist policy, there would be a great and increasing Radical movement. Therefore, he was opposed to the new party and all its methods. The methods were the methods of dragooning. But the rest of England was not like Birmingham. People did not like to be ordered about or bullied into a policy. Englishmen had learnt to value independence. and when the time came for obtaining the decision of the electorate on the controversy, he would not fear the ordeal in Greenwich, because he knew that the people of that borough and of the whole country loved liberty and justice, and in the name of liberty and justice he appealed for their support, and in time he had no doubt to their general election within two months and it is thought that the signing of the new constitution for the Transvaal removes one obstacle to a dissolution. On the other hand it is said that powerful city influences were being brought to bear upon Mr. Balfour to remain in office a little longer to prevent the risk of injury to our national interest by a change of Government at a critical moment.

INDIA AND PARLIAMENT.

There is a man in London, who earns his living by "drawing" leading people political and otherwise on subjects of public interest, and sending the letters received to the Press as copy. I wonder if it was this ingenious individual, who drew the following letter from the Secretary of State. "India Office, Whitehall, S.W., March 21." "Sir,—I am desired by Mr. Brodrick to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 20th inst., and in reply to refer you to his statement in the course of the discussion in the East India Revenue Accounts in the House of Commons last year, that 'he agreed with the desire expressed that the Indian Budget statement should be made earlier. He hoped that next year, he might be able to induce his right hon. friend to give a somewhat earlier date. He felt that this was a subject, which ought not to be put off to so late a period in the session." Mr. Brodrick adheres to what he said, but the arrangement of the business of the session must, of course, rest with the Prime Minister.—I am, yours faithfully," "F. A. HIRTZEL." Of course, all this talk about the wickedness of the postponement of the Indian debate to the fag end of the session is the veriest nonsense and in the case of some who indulge in it sheer hypocrisy. Members of Parliament, who hold up their hands in horror at the conduct of this or that ministry in keeping the Indian Budget statement until the dog days would not put in an appearance if the debate were held in April or May instead of July or August. This has been proved. The fact is India is as unattractive to the average member of Parliament as until a second Burke arrives—perhaps after—Indian Budget speeches will continue to be delivered to sparsely occupied benches whatever the period of the session.

INDIA AND THE STAGE.

Apparently if what we have been told during the recent performances, (I must so describe them) in the Court presided over by Mr. Justice Darling be true, India is no more popular to the playgoer than it is to the Parliamentarian. One of the witnesses for the defendant in the "cause celebre" of Fraser versus Edwardes was Mr. Arthur Pope better known by his more euphonious "nom de plume" of "Adrian Ross" and a great writer of musical comedy lyrics. This witness spoke to conversations with Mr. Tanner, another playwright, after the latter was requested by Mr. George Edwardes to collaborate with Captain Fraser. Mr. Tanner told his friend that he thought nothing could be done with Captain Fraser's piece "as it was badly constructed" and he did not think an Indian piece was likely to succeed. Ceylon on the other hand was under the Colonial office and had not been presented here. What followed is so delightful that it must be quoted in full :—" Mr. Justice Darling.—He told you, in fact, that Ceylon being under the Colonial Office was better adapted for comic opera ?" (laughter) Witness.—Not quite that, but I agreed with him that India was associated with gloomy subjects and that the public got their ideas of it from Rudyard Kipling. Mr. Justice Darling.—Did he not tell you the scene of Captain Fraser's play was not Delhi or Lucknow, but Kashmir ? Witness.—No, I think not. He talked little about it. Mr. Justice Darling.—Do you think that a person taking tickets for the play would mind whether the scene was laid in Kashmir or Ceylon ? Witness.—Well it is a fact that Indian plays have not been successful.

Mr. Justice Darling.—Then I understand that you think that with regard to India, Mr. Rudyard Kipling has done the stage harm.

Witness.—He gives the idea that it is not a cheerful country.

Poor India ! Another of Mr. Edwardes's witnesses the Mr. Tanner referred to, in the course of his evidence said that the character of "Chumbabadge Hart" had germinated in his mind for some time, but what crystallised the idea in his mind was meeting a native Indian, who was very intemperate in words and in addressing at a political club of which he was a member. Whereat such Mr. Keating

...made note, said the Court that the gentleman accurately alluded to "as extravagant in speech and ... as very not" "a native Indian" as all. As to the general result of the case, the decision of the jury has given a great deal of quiet satisfaction, though it is better not to say too much as there may be an appeal and the matter is therefore sub judice. When in the witness box Mr. Edwardes was questioned with reference to the action which Mr. Augustus Moore brought against him, it being alleged that Mr. Tanner, who wrote "The Country Girl," had utilised scenes from Mr. Moore's play, "Charles O'Malley." Mr. Moore claimed £5,000, and he got £100, said Mr. Edwardes. Counsel for plaintiff : Did the Lord Chief Justice put it to the jury whether some substantial portion of Mr. Moore's scenario was not used in Mr. Tanner's play ? witness replied :—I think it was like this ; His lordship said. Now, did this fellow do something in connection with this play ? If so, what was it worth and the jury gave him £100. When Mr. Edwardes finished Mr. Justice Darling asked if the Lord Chief Justice did really say "this fellow"? This momentary exhibition of heat did not help Mr. Edwardes's case but it was perhaps excusable. One of the other witnesses for the defence was the costume designer of Daly's theatre, Mr. Percy Anderson for whom one cannot help feeling sympathy. In cross examination he denied having said that Captain Fraser had been treated badly. Thereupon plaintiff's counsel read as follows from a letter, witness wrote to Captain Fraser in India :—"I have felt perfectly miserable about the whole thing, and am sick at heart for your sake, for I think you have been shamefully treated. But astonished I am not, for I know the gang, and I said when you were here that your work would never be given when once you turned your back. Referring later on to the Judge said :—" I was very sorry the letter was read. It was very hard on Mr. Anderson, and I do not think it carries the case further. The letter does not convey that Captain Fraser's copyright was taken by the defendant. What it conveys is that Mr. Edwardes was glad to get the plaintiff out of the way, and then to have written what might be an entirely new play. The letter really only goes to prejudice."

FRAUDULENT COMPANY MONGERING.

There is at least one item in Mr. Balfour's legislative programme upon which the Opposition will not try to defeat his Majesty's Government. I refer to what is called the False Statements (Companies) Bill which has been introduced by the Attorney General with the support of the law officers of the Crown for Scotland and Ireland. This measure which has just been printed and circulated proposes that if any person wilfully circulates or concurs in circulating any written statement or account relating to the financial affairs or property of a company with which he is connected officially "which he knows to be false in any material particular" shall be guilty of a misdemeanour and liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding £500 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding two years. For the purposes of the proposed Act the expression "company" includes any company established for gain and incorporated by charter or by or under any Act of Parliament and any friendly society and any society or body of persons (other than a friendly society) which is registered under Act of Parliament. But before a prosecution can be instituted the consent of the Attorney General has to be obtained—a provision which apparently is necessary but which it may be hoped will be exercised with more alacrity than in the notorious Whitaker Wright case. It is obvious that the law against those pests of society, as one of the Judges described company promoters the other day, requires strengthening but it is satisfactory to find that this class of offenders does not always get off scot free in present circumstances. I see that at Leeds Assizes the other day Mr. Justice Bingham passed the not excessive sentence of 12 months' imprisonment upon the ex-managing director of an assurance company, who was indicted for publishing false balance-sheets and reports with the object of deceiving shareholders and inducing other people to advance money. In some of the worst cases of this kind the rogue is a professedly pious man or regular chapel-goer, perhaps a so a deacon ; in the particular case under notice it appeared that the prisoner "was guided by the advice of an astrologer when starting the company." I have within my own personal experience known of concessionaires in London consulting a spiritualistic medium with reference to mining properties thousands of miles away, but this is the first time I have heard of the astrologer being employed for such a purpose—at any rate in this part of the world.

THE SWEETS OF OFFICE.

Apropos of the Attorney-General it made some of our mouths water, when the other day Mr. Balfour admitted that Sir R. Finday and the Solicitor-General have during the past three years divided between them the huge sum of £75,000 in the shape of salary and fees. What a lot a change of Government means to some people. The Prime Minister's admissions reminds one of your contemporaries of Mr. Gladstone's saying "that he had never known a Law Officer who was not rapacious in his claims on the Treasury with one exception, and that exception, he used to add with a twinkle in his eye, was the late Sir George Jessel—poor Jessel, the Jew." At the Athenæum not many weeks ago a distinguished member of that institution who used to be a fellow member, a friend of mine, a calculation he had made as to the amount of money in the shape of salaries and emoluments that changed hands when a new Ministry comes into power. I am sorry that my informant could not remember the sum, but he said it was enormous. Human nature being what it is need we wonder that placemen adhere to office with so much tenacity and rigidly follow the good old rule the simple plan, that they should take who have the power and they should keep who can ? For example the Cecil family comprising in that category the late and the present Lord Salisbury, the two Balfours and Lord Selborne has made an uncommonly good thing out of the long spell of Conservative power that now seems to be drawing to a close.

RE-ORGANISATION OF THE INDIAN POLICE.

A recent telegram from India intimating that the police force there is for some unexplained reason to be converted into a military body suggested, I imagine, the following question put to Mr. Brodrick, in the House of Commons on Tuesday by Sir M. M. Bhownaggree :—"To ask the Secretary of State for India, if a scheme of re-organisation of the police force in India as an armed force has been adopted ; and, if so, will he state whether this is the result of a recommendation by the Police Commission or by the military authorities ; also what number of men are to be so armed, and whether they will have to undergo any special training ; and what is the estimate of the additional cost of such re-organisation ; and further, whether his sanction has been given to the scheme, and if he will lay upon the Table of the House all papers and correspondence between himself and the Government of India bearing on this subject." Here is Mr. Brodrick's reply :—"No new principle affecting the training of the police force in India in the use of arms has been adopted in the re-organisation of the force ; but principles laid down in 1860 and 1889 have now been reaffirmed as a result of the inquiries made by the Commission. The military authorities have, of course, been consulted. The exact additional cost of the re-organisation has not yet been reported to me.

I hope shortly to receive from the Government of India papers which will include a full summary of the decisions arrived at after correspondence. I propose to lay this summary with the report on the table."

POLITICAL CARTOONS.

Indian readers of the "Westminster Gazette" must have been amused by the droll caricatures that appear occasionally in that journal under the designation "By our Office-Boy." There is one to-day but there was a better one last week representing Mr. Balfour as saying to Mr. Chamberlain "I jolly well cooked your goose." It will probably surprise those who have seen these sketches to learn that they are really the work not of Mr. Gould as many supposed but of an office boy or rather a youth of 18 employed in one of the mechanical departments of the paper. At least so I am positively assured by some one who ought to know. Whether the ideas are in all cases also those of the "office-boy" I cannot say. If they are I should think he will not long remain in his present humble position. I am told that the attention of the Editorial Staff was first called to his talent by his surreptitiously leaving on the Assistant Editor's table caricatures of "old Gould" as he somewhat irreverently styled the greatest of living political cartoonists. By the way I wonder the Tariff Reformer can manage to get along without the aid of a good cartoonist. The "Pall Mall" gentleman sometimes gives them a lift but very unlpful to the Free Trade cause. The "St. James's Gazette" when the Chamberlainite agitation began ran a Canadian artist named Bengough and when he left the paper they turned an anonymous man but they were not very successful and eventually dropped the idea. On the whole the Free Traders have not been fortunate with the Cartoon Department of their leading morning newspapers. Mr. Harry Furniss, who was on the staff of the "Daily News" when Mr. Gladstone was in power, and who made a name for himself by his clever sketches of the Grand Old Man, is now on the staff of the "Daily Mail" and his pencil is employed in the interests of Mr. Chamberlain and Tariff Reform.

LORD LAMINGTON IN BOMBAY.

HIS EXCELLENCY the Governor, who accompanied Lady Lamington to Aden, returned to Bombay yesterday morning, by the P. and O Company's Mail steamer Caledonia. Mr. Claude Hill, C.I.E., Secretary to Government, Political Department, and Captain J. G Greig, A. D.-C also returned with the Governor. The steam-ship Caledonia was signalled at half past 8 o'clock, and about half an hour after she cast anchor opposite the Apollo Bunder. At the same time, the Royal Indian Marine steam-launch Hoe, which had put out from the Bunder, steamed alongside the vessel and brought the Governor and the staff to the Bunder. On landing at the pierhead, Lord Lamington was met by the Hon. Mr. A. D. Younghusband, Commissioner of the Central Division ; the Hon. Mr. N. D. Khandalawala ; Mr H. G. Geil, Commissioner of Police ; Mr James Macdonald ; Mr. P. R Cadell, Collector of Bombay ; and Mr. G. F. Keatinge, Under Secretary to Government. After shaking hands with those present, his Excellency drove to the Secretariat, where he stayed until his departure for Poona en route to Mahableshwar. Leaving the Secretariat at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, his Excellency, accompanied by Captain J. G. Greig, A. D. C., drove to the Victoria Terminus and left by the Poona mail. Amongst those present at the station to see the Governor off were :—Mr. H. Wendon, Mr. H. G Geil, Mr. James Macdonald and Mr. Claude Hill. Both the arrival and departure were private.

THE GOVERNOR'S ARRIVAL IN POONA.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

POONA, APRIL 14.

H. E. the Governor, who returned from Aden by the mail, arrived in Poona this evening by the Poona Mail en route to Mahableshwar, His Excellency who was accompanied by Captain Greig, A.D.C., alighted on the joint platform and was met by Mr. Logan, Commissioner C. D., and Mr. Lawrence, Director of Agriculture. After a brief conversation he went out for a short drive in a motor car and returned to his saloon on the Southren Mahratta Railway where he dined, and at 10-30 p.m. proceeded to Wathar.

THE PARSI CYCLING CLUB SPORTS.

SECOND DAY.

THE second day's sports held by the Parsi Cycling Club drew a greater crowd of spectators than on the previous day. Eight events figured on the card and comprised Two Miles Open Handicap Race, One Mile Race for Police Officers, Three Miles Motor Scratch Race, One Mile Championship, Five Miles Native Championship, One Mile Handicap for the Parsi Cycling Club, the finals of the Three Miles Motor Cycle and the final of the One Mile Handicap. Several of the events proved very interesting and elicited rounds of applause from the spectators. In the first event, the Two Miles Open Handicap, there were no less than twenty entries, out of which four scratched. The Military element figured largely in this competition, the win going to Q. M. Sergeant Fewester, second place being annexed by Sergeant A. W. Allen, who was much fancied and supported by the moderate ring of punters near the tent on account of his past performances last year. The second event was a unique feature in the afternoon's sports and the competitors among the Police Officers, though only limited to three, found many supporters. The race went to Sir. Jennett who started scratch, conceding the second man, Mr. Jones. 120 yards Mr. A. B. Pearson, in the first heat of the Three Mile Motor scratch ran away with the race from Mr. Javeri and won hands down by two laps. Mr. P. A. Stewart in the second heat unfortunately had a bad start, and Mr. England, his only opponent, going off with a good lead hugged the line all through and won by about half a lap. The Military again showed out best in the One Mile Championship, the only native competitor among them being A. T. Theayagara Raja, the Bangalore Champion, who however on this occasion failed even to be placed. Private Fay easily annexed this prize, second being allotted to Piper J. Wright, also a well-known cyclist in sporting circles. A. T. Theayagara Raja, however, redeemed lost honors in the Five Mile Motor Championship and justified the expectations of almost all by putting on a great spurt at the last lap, coming in several lengths ahead of J. Mody. The One Mile Parsi Cycling Club Race ended in an easy win for Mr. Katgara, second in order of merit being Mr. Palamcote. The final of the Three Miles Motor Cycle race was an exceedingly exciting event, the riders spinning along the track at break-neck speed. England got away splendidly, but on the fourth lap Stewart put on a desperate spurt, collared the leader, and rushed away by about thirty yards. England made every effort to catch him up, but Stewart, at every lap, to the intense admiration of the spectators, improved on his position. He is a dare-devil rider and well deserves his victory. In the last lap Pearson, in trying to overtake England for second honors, swerved badly when coming up the straight and had a very nasty fall. Fortunately no bones were broken, though he was badly bruised. The winning doings, during which the Band of the B. B. and C. I. Railway Volunteers played a fine selection of music, concluded with the Final of The One Mile Handicap premier honors of which fell to Mr. W. Morris. The following are the results :

Two Miles Open Handicap.—First prize value Rs. 50, second prize value Rs. 25, presented by Messrs K Mehta and Co, third prize value Rs. 15, presented by Mr J H Cooper.

S Q M Sergt H Fewester 230 yards ... 1
Sergt A W Allen 260 yards ... 2
Pte C Gray, 250 yards ... 3
Time—5 min 25 2-5 secs.

One Mile Police Officer's Race.—First prize value Rs. 50 presented by Mr A Poll, second prize value Rs. 25.

Mr Jennet, scratch ... 1
Mr Jones, 120 yards ... 2
Time—2 min 39 1-5 secs.

Three Miles Motor Scratch.—First prize value Rs. 75, presented by Wellington Cycle Agency, second prize value Rs. 40, third prize value Rs. 20.

First Heat.

Mr A B Pearson ... 1
Mr Cawas M Javeri ... 2
Time—7 min 11 secs.

Second Heat.

Mr W C England ... 1
Mr C A Stewart ... 2
Time,—6 min 43 secs.

One Mile Championship.—The S R Laicaca's Challenge Cup lent by K and S.—First prize value Rs. 50, second prize value Rs. 25 presented by Mr. Sojonji A. Kaundin, third prize value Rs. 15 presented by Messrs. D. Leslie and Co.

Mr A T Theayagara Raja ... 1
Mr J Mody ... 2
Mr J Marchant ... 3
Time—14 min 35 1-5 secs.

One Mile Handicap Parsee Cycling Club.—First prize value Rs. 50, second prize value Rs. 25 presented by Messrs. Sonrader Smidt and Co, third prize value Rs. 15 presented by Mr. Pestonji Edulji Chubb.

Mr Katgara ... 1
Mr P D Palamcote 110 yards ... 2
Mr G M Javeri 30 yards ... 3
Time—2min 41 2-5 secs.

Final of Three Miles Motor Cycle.

Mr P A Stewart ... 1
Mr W C England ... 2
Mr A B Pearson ... 3
Time—6 min 35 4-5 secs.

Final of One Mile Handicap.

Mr W Morris 155 yards ... 1
S Q M Sergt H Fewester 130 yards ... 2
Pte E A Fay 20 yards ... 3
Time—2 min 19 4-5 secs.

THIRD DAY.

Programme for to-day, Saturday the 15th April, at 3-30 p.m.

1—2 Miles Parsee Cycling Club Handicap.
2—2 Miles Open Handicap.
3—5 Miles Motor Handicap (Scratch.)
4—1 Mile Children Handicap.
5—5 Mile Handicap.
6—4 Miles Ladies' Race.
7—1 Mile Schoool Boys' (Handicap.)

D. E. PATEL,
Honorary Secretary.

COTTON CARGOES FOR THE FAR EAST.

SAILORS AND CONTRABAND.

IT appears that the steamer "Riverdale" has been recently chartered by the P. and O. Company, and cotton is being loaded for shipment to Kobe, Yokohama and Moji. It being known that cotton is used as gun-cotton in times of war, the crew on board that vessel sent a deputation to the Shipping Master to inquire if under the circumstance they were not entitled to have their discharge. The Shipping Master heard the matter referred to the Chief Presidency Magistrate Mr. J. Sanders Slater who refrained from passing any opinion as to whether cotton would be stood in the category of contraband of war—but if in case the crew on board that vessel sent a deputation to the Shipping Master to inquire if under the circumstance they were not entitled to have their discharge. The Shipping Master heard the matter referred to the Chief Presidency Magistrate Mr. J. Sanders Slater who refrained from passing any opinion as to whether cotton would be stood in the category of contraband of war—but if in case the crew on board that vessel sent a deputation to the Shipping Master to inquire if under the circumstance they were not entitled to have their discharge.

THE PLAGUE PROPHYLACTIC.

THE ENCOURAGEMENT OF INOCULATION.

The Government of Bombay have issued the papers relative to a proposal by Dr. Turner, Executive Health Officer Bombay, for the encouragement of inoculation. Dr. Turner's proposal is conveyed in the following letter to the Municipal Commissioner :—

When the Bombay Sanitary Association thought of organizing a Health Section at the Industrial and Agricultural Exhibition in Bombay, I suggested that the Director of the Plague Research Laboratory should take this opportunity of laying before the public any new facts regarding the preparation and use of the plague prophylaxis so that the confidence of the people shaken by the Mulkowal disaster should be restored. With these objects in view, I approached Government on the question, and permission was given to Colonel Bannerman to give demonstrations on the preparation and use of the prophylactic ; the Government of India in granting their permission emphasised the necessity of diffusing amongst the people the advantage of inoculation. The lectures and demonstrations of Colonel Bannerman at the Health Section were attended by a large number of persons, and the lecture was printed and circulated in Bombay, and I will not enlarge upon it here. The officers of the plague Research Laboratory are perfectly satisfied and have satisfied Government that the fluid now prepared is absolutely sterile, and that it confers a greater immunity than previously, and that the inoculation is harmless, and that the operation properly done cannot cause any ill effects. The figures given by Colonel Bannerman show that immunity against plague can be conferred, and that even if a person is incubating from the disease, the case will run a milder course. The experiments on animals in the Laboratory conclusively prove that immunity can be conferred against the living plague bacillus. In June last year my opinion was asked as to whether inoculation should not be pressed in Bombay and my answer was as follows :—That before inoculation can be pressed on the public in Bombay, a Commission should be appointed to enquire into the method of preparation, the physiological action and the means taken for protecting the fluid from contamination and its sterilization, and that the people should be taken into the confidence of Government and all this explained to them. The l

NEGLECT TO FENCE MACHINERY.

UNSUCCESSFUL APPEAL BY GOVERNMENT.

THE Hon. Mr. Justice Russell and the Hon. Mr. Justice Batty presiding at the High Court, have disposed of an appeal by the Bombay Government from a decision of Mr. E. M. Pratt, Sessions Judge of Khandesh, in the case of Ramprotab Magniram. The accused was convicted by Mr. N. G. Raja, City Magistrate of Dhulia in March last, of neglecting to fence machinery under section 15 (a) of the Indian Factories Act, and was fined Rs. 50. On appeal Mr. Pratt Sessions Judge of Khandesh, reversed the conviction and sentence and ordered the fine to be refunded; and Government appealed from his decision. Mr. G. S. Cayaji appeared for the accused; and the Hon. Mr. Raikes, Advocate General, instructed by the Government Pleader, appeared for the Crown.

Mr. Pratt, in his judgment on the appeal made to him by the accused, said the accused had been convicted as occupier of a factory of having neglected to fence machinery which the Inspector considered dangerous and which he had ordered to be fenced. The defence was that the order to fence the machinery was complied with and that notice that disobedience of the order would be punished with prosecution was not given. As to the first ground of defence, Mr. Pratt concurred with the magistrate in finding that a temporary fence was not put up. As to the second ground, he thought that the notice should be in writing and should form part of the order, copy of which is served upon the occupier. There was no doubt that the procedure provided by the rules was not followed by the Inspector. In these circumstances, Mr. Pratt thought it a matter for regret that the prosecution should have been continued, but at the same time he did not think that the "laches" of the Inspector afforded the accused a good ground of defence. The rule was directory. Non-compliance with its terms was an irregularity on the part of the inspector but that irregularity did not make his order a nullity. The accused did not dispute the Inspector's authority to make the order, and he admitted that he had knowledge of it. The conviction would therefore be sustained if the accused was the occupier of the factory, for the occupier was the only person responsible for keeping the machinery securely fenced. There was no evidence on this point, and the accused was described on the record as the manager. Mr. Pratt therefore remanded the case to the lower Court for additional evidence as to whether the accused was the occupier of the factory. After the additional evidence had been received, he decided that the accused was not the occupier and could not be made liable unless the occupier had committed crime. If, Mr. Pratt accordingly reversed the conviction and sentence and ordered the fine, if paid, to be refunded.

Mr. Justice Russell in giving the judgment of the Appeal Court, said that the accused was the manager of the Ramnarayan Baldev Ginning Factory at Dhulia and he resided in a part of the premises in which the factory is situated. He was charged before the City Magistrate of Dhulia with having neglected to fence certain machinery in the factory and was convicted. On appeal, the Sessions Judge of Khandesh reversed the conviction and sentence. The grounds on which the Sessions Judge proceeded were that, in as much as the accused had not given the notice of occupation under section 14 of the Act he was not the occupier. But these grounds were clearly untenable as appeared from the case of Queen-Empress vs. Manorma Harakchand (page 902 of the Unreported Criminal Cases of the High Court of Bombay by Mr. Ratanlal Runchoddas), where it was held by Parsons and Ranade, J.J., that the proprietor in that case was none the less an "occupier" because he had not sent in any notice under section 14, as no notice was obligatory. The above case was not brought to the attention of the Sessions Judge and was not cited before their lordships. But an important and interesting question arose whether the accused was the "occupier" of the factory within the meaning of the Act? After referring to several sections of the Act, his lordship said the Act does not give any definition of "occupier," and in this respect resembles the English Factory and Workshop Act, 1895. To ascertain the meaning of the word, therefore, the Court must consider the case in having on the point and general principles. It was material to observe that the Indian Factories Act 15 of 1881 does by section 13 draw a distinction between an occupier and a manager, and it was to be inferred that, if the Legislature had intended to make the manager of a factory liable to fence the machinery, it would have done so in direct terms. After referring to several sections of the Indian Factories Act, his lordship said the Court did not think they could hold that the manager of the factory herein could be held with truth to have been the occupier thereof. The records from the Collector's office showed that this factory was there registered under the name of Javormal Jamnadas brothers as the occupiers. It had been held that it lay upon the occupier of the factory as being primarily liable for breach of any of the provisions of the Act, to give the strictest proof of circumstances exonerating himself from the liability to fix it on any other persons. For these reasons, their lordships said they must dismiss the appeal. The rule already issued in the present case the occupiers, they were told, lived at Indore outside British jurisdiction. They were also told that in Khandesh there were several factories the owners of which resided in England. It was obvious in such cases that the result of the Court's decision must make the provisions of the Act nugatory for a considerable time at all events, but it could scarcely be taken to mean that the occupiers of the factories during such time of course, the employes of the factory would be exposed to all the dangers of machinery not properly fenced. But their lordships had only to construe the word of the Legislature irrespective of the possible injurious consequences to a class of persons incapable of protecting themselves. For these reasons their lordships dismissed the appeal.

BOMBAY MAHOMEDANS AND THE VICEROY.

CRITICISM OF THE PROTEST MEETING.

THE "Muslim Herald" of yesterday has the following:—

As promised in our yesterday's issue we revert once more to the "no day" Protest Meeting that was held at the Novelty Theatre on Wednesday evening, and about which we had something to say in our issue for yesterday. As begin with, we have styled this meeting a "Farce and a Pantomime." Now some of our readers might think that we were face foul and harsh when we spoke of the meeting in the above terms. Let us see. We have consulted the dictionary just to see if we have given any harsh names to the meeting.

First of all we referred the word "farce." This word is said to mean a ridiculous or an empty show also a piece of ridiculous parade. After full and deliberate consideration we again say that the Bombay Protest Meeting was both an empty show and a ridiculous piece of parade. It was a show, because the conveners of the meeting had been repeatedly told by their personal friends and by responsible individuals that our present Viceroy was no way unpopular, as certain friends of the Presidency Association want to make him out to be. In his recent Budget Speech he has clearly told the people how he has laboured hard and at last succeeded in giving to the people of India remissions and privileges, and how he has lightened the burden of Indian taxes and thereby made the Indian ryot happier and easier in mind. The Bombay opposition of the Viceroy are not blind to this. But they saw that other cities and their protest meetings, and therefore, Bombay too must have one. But the proceedings of the Wednesday meeting clearly showed that the people had no heart in the demonstration and the conveners themselves were a prey to some morbid desire that they should not be outstripped by other cities. We vainly tried to trace any single ray of enthusiasm or indignation in the countenances of those that were there. But we found every face blank and indifferent. The people that were there showed not the least interest in what was being played before them. Therefore we say the meeting was a farce, a show and a parade.

We have also called the meeting a pantomime which is given in the dictionary as meaning:—a representation or an entertainment in dumb show. Now honestly speaking, was not the meeting on Wednesday a dumb show? The Hon. Lokmanya K. Parukh read out his so-called speech that had been cooked out by himself perhaps, in company with others. He read it out from a printed paper. As he called himself, he may be a blunt man; but even blunt men have feelings. In his reading out of the speech he did betray even a single vestige of any feeling. If there were any feeling perceptible, it was a feeling of listlessness and heartlessness. Perhaps there kind. Frankly speaking, we think that the hon. Mr. Parukh has been made mere cat's paw in this protest business. In the whole course of the hour there was not a single spontaneous applause. The proposer, the seconder and supporter of the principal Resolution has been sibling up on the platform like so many dummies, and when the moment came they got up and mumbled out the words they had been tutored, or perhaps allowed to utter, and then again sank into indifference. If this be not a pantomime, we fail to see what it is. We say it and advisedly so, that our Bombay Protest Meeting of Wednesday last was a Farce and a Pantomime combined in one. To the students and the clerks who had assembled there to see it—as also to those who were on the platform—it must have been an entertainment and an amusement, but to the public at large it was a thorough exposure of the political tactics of Bombay.

There were only five Mahomedan gentlemen seated on the platform. Their names are—Mr. Amiruddin Tyebji, Mr. Jaffarbhai Rahimtulla, Mr. Gulam Hussain Rahimtulla Khairaj, and Mr. Ali Mahomed Bahadur. In the audience there may have been an equal number. Two thousand present out of the entire Mahomedan population of Bombay, 1, This is the kind of public meeting that has protested against Lord Curzon's so-called famine and indigestible bespeaches the Eastern nations!!! We are glad to find that the Mahomedans as a class kept away from this meeting.

The "Muslim Herald" also states that a mass meeting of Mahomedans of all sections will be held this evening in the Moosafferabad Hall, Grant Road, Bombay, to declare that the Bombay Mahomedans have no sympathy with the protest meeting held on Wednesday evening in the Novelty Theatre, and that such Mahomedans as attended it are considered individually and self elected, and are not representatives of the Mahomedan community.

The Khedive has granted permission to Mr. William Frederic Lofius Tottenham, deputy conservator of forests, Egypt, to wear the insignia of the Third Class of the Siamese Order of the White Elephant, conferred in recognition of valuable services rendered to the King of Siam.

LUXURY FOR THE SKIN.

The Albion Milk and Sulphur Soap is pleasant to use and softens the skin, whilst Oatine and Glycerine Soap produces a healthy complexion." The ALBION SOAP is a highly agreeable [illegible] and nursery requisite, refreshing and [illegible]. All

JAPAN AND RUSSIA.

RUMOURED ATTEMPT ON THE CZAR'S LIFE.

THE PEACE MYSTERY.

RUSSIAN IRRITATION AGAINST FRANCE.

OUR Yokohama correspondent telegraphs that some headway in the direction of arranging terms of peace has been made by France. No more suitable person for such a delicate task could be found than the French Minister, M. Delcasse.

The Japanese column reported to be 27 miles to the north-east of Si-pin-gai must be marching along the Mandarin Road to Kirin. The country in this direction is very defensible, being dotted with brushwood-covered hills very steep on the south side.

A day or two ago it was stated that General Nogi was threatening Kirin. A report now comes that the Ninth Division, which was his most successful division in the attacks on Port Arthur, is to the north-west of that important town.

THE BALTIC FLEET.

The report that Rojestvensky has reached Sanda Strait is obviously incorrect. The distance from Nossi Be to that point is about 3,400 miles. He seems to be steaming about 150 miles a day, and therefore could only have covered two-thirds of the distance, even if he did not stop at the Chagos Islands to coal from his German colliers. Moreover he has not yet been joined by the Third Baltic Fleet, which he must wait for before he faces Admiral Togo. The Fourth Fleet, which is to sail in April, consists of two battleships, two cruisers including the old Admiral Kornilof, built eighteen years ago a mining transport, and fifteen torpedo boats.

The Fourth Baltic Fleet was originally intended to consist of two battleships, two cruisers, a mining transport, and 18 torpedo boats.

Attempts on the lives of minor Russian officials continue to be reported from different parts of the country.

THE CZAR.

A SENSATIONAL RUMOUR.

Paris, Thursday.

The French Presse Associe has received a telegram from St. Petersburg saying it is believed that the reported attempt of the Czar to commit suicide, which was alleged to have been frustrated by the Dowager Empress, was really an attempt at the assassination of the monarch by some person in the Royal Palace at Tsarskoe Selo.

FRANCE AS MEDIATOR.

Yokohama, Thursday.

I have been confidentially informed by persons who have every reason to know the facts that terms of peace were almost decided upon three days ago, thanks to the mediation of France.

The suggested terms were that Korea and a large slice of Manchuria should be placed under Japanese protection, and that Russia should pay a small indemnity.

While unable to obtain an official confirmation of this information, I have every reason to believe that the above is the stage at which the negotiations have at present arrived.

UNITED STATES ATTITUDE.

Washington, Thursday.

The United States has somewhat modified its resolve to take no action in the direction of peace unless requested by both combatants. It was now prepared to do anything not offensive to either side.

While not ambitious to mediate or meddle, the Government is keenly interested in anything that concerns American interests, and consequently is opposed to the idea of a peace conference, in which the course of events regarding Corea's probity and the open door would be impossible to foresee.

Berlin, Thursday.

The German Foreign Office states that certain neutral Powers have endeavoured to ascertain under what conditions it would be possible to initiate peace negotiations.

St. Petersburg, Thursday.

The Russian press displays increasing reassurment at the attitude of France relative to the continuance of the war. The "Novoe Vremya" points out that unlike Japan, Russia has not yet played any of her resources, the loans she has raised hitherto having been obtained on the Government credit alone.—Reuter.

THE BALTIC FLEET.

A FOURTH SQUADRON PREPARING TO SAIL.

Paris Thursday.

According to the "Echo de Paris" it is rumoured in St. Petersburg that Admiral Rojestvensky's fleet has arrived in the Sunda Strait. This, however says the correspondent, appears to be impossible, since the fleet only left Madagascar about the 14th inst.

Discipline aboard the Russian ships, he adds, is severe in the extreme. Two men have been shot by Admiral Rojestvensky's orders for insubordination. The Admiral also put ashore at Beville two Sisters of Charity who, contrary to orders, had left the battleship Orel, and gone on board the cruiser Svetlana.—Central News.

THE FOURTH SQUADRON.

St. Petersburg, Thursday.

The "Russkoye Slovo" learns from a reliable source that the Fourth Squadron, the equipment of which is being rapidly pushed forward will be far stronger than was originally intended, and that it will be ready to sail at the beginning of April.—Reuter.

ANOTHER STEAMER SEIZED.

Tokio Thursday.

The steamer Industry, of unknown nationality, was seized on the 25th inst. It is presumed that she was making for Vladivostok.

The British steamer Mars, which is ashore in La Perouse Straits, has broken in two under the engines.—Reuter.

JAPANESE ADVANCE.

GENERAL NOGI NORTH-WEST OF KIRIN.

St. Petersburg, Thursday.

A despatch from the front says that a Japanese force has been sighted 30 versts (20 miles) from General Linievich's Army, and an attack is expected.—Central News.

St. Petersburg Thursday.

The following telegram of to-day's date has been received from Sidjasa:—"Chinese report that a Japanese column which is probably carrying out a flanking movement, has been seen 40 versts (about 27 miles) to the north-east of Si-pin-gai. There has been a second heavy fall of snow."

According to a telegram from Harbin, Japanese proclamations have reached the town saying that the Japanese army intends to occupy Harbin about the middle of April.—Reuter.

Paris, Thursday.

The Japanese advance guard, consisting of part of the Ninth Division is reported to have reached a place called Twenpo, north-west of Kirin.—Central News.

A GOVERNOR KIDNAPPED.

Victoria (B.C.), Thursday.

Mail advices received by the C. P. R. steamer Empress of Japan state that the Russians kidnapped General Tseng the Governor of Mannuria, when Mukden was evacuated the Cossacks, carrying him off in a Sedan chair. Tseng resisted strongly.

The object was to use his seals to induce the Chinese to supply them with provisions during their retreat. He was subsequently released but his seals were stolen.—Laffan.

THE "Gaulois" publishes a statement, according to which it appears certain that packets of despatches addressed to the commandants of the French naval stations in the Indian Ocean and the Far East, and handed over by the Minister of Marine to the Postal Administration, have disappeared between Port Said and Jibutil.

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THE WEEK'S MAIL SUMMARY.

LONDON, MARCH 31.

HOME.

COURT.—The King on Wednesday, inspected the Cullinan Diamond at Buckingham Palace, and left for Knowsley on a visit to Lord Derby.—The Queen, after visiting Lisbon and Cadiz, reached Gibraltar on Tuesday.—The Prince of Wales presided on Wednesday at the annual meeting of King Edward's Hospital Fund for London.—The Duke and Duchess of Connaught have arrived at Naples.

A collection of engraved portraits after Sir T. Lawrence, the property of the Bishop of Truro, realized £2,040 at Christie's on Tuesday.

Ecclesiastical.—The Dean of Ripon writes protesting against the Convocations Bill as tending to make the government of the Church more clerical.

Election.—Mr. Loder's appointment as Junior Lord of the Treasury necessitates a by-election at Brighton.

Fencing.—The amateur championships for foils and sabres were won on Tuesday, by Mr. H. Montgomerie and Mr. C. A. Wilson.

Football.—England beat Wales in an Association match at Liverpool on Monday.

Law.—The Court of Appeal has reversed a decision by Mr. Justice Lawrence in a dressmaker's suit against a married woman, and a decision in a case of marriage brokage.—The House of Lords has confirmed the judgments against Ogdens (Limited) on a tobacconist's claim based on the company's bonus promises; and has granted Sir R. O'Connell a divorce.—A jury has awarded £3,000 damages to Captain F. Fraser, who sued Mr. George Edwardes on the ground that the Cingalee was an infringement of plaintiff's rights in an unpublished play entitled The Hanjiahn.—A Deptford shopkeeper was murdered by masked burglars on Monday.

Lord Avebury, on Tuesday afternoon addressed a meeting of the London Chamber of Commerce on the great increase in municipal and national expenditure.

Lord Bute has been appointed Lord Lieutenant of Buteshire.

Mr. Alfred Beit has increased his donation to the Institute of Medical Science (University of London) Fund from £5,000 to £25,000 to commemorate the great kindness of Dr. Jamison, Premier of Cape Colony, and of members of the Faculty of Medicine during an illness from which he has now recovered.

Naval and Military.—The cruiser Devonshire attained an average speed of 21 knots in her trial at four-fifths power.—The Annual Council's attention to certain criticism in the Duke of Connaught's annual report as Inspector-General.—Lord Roberts spoke at a meeting last week, when a rifle association was formed for Wales.—Lieutenant G. N. Henson of the Speedwell, has been dismissed his ship on account of her collision with a fishing boat.

Parliament.—In the House of Lords, on the 27th, Lord Monkswell raised the question of the massacre of army supplies in South Africa, and on the 28th there was some discussion on Turkish affairs. In the House of Commons, on the 23rd, the report of the Supplementary Army Vote was agreed to after discussion, as was the vote for law charges. On the 24th, the Irish Town Tenants Bill was read a second time by 141 to 89 and sent to the Grand Committee on Law. On the 27th the Consolidated Fund (No. 1) Bill was read a second time, and the questions of underfed children and Irish fisheries were discussed. On the 28th Mr. Arnold-Forster made his statement on the Army Estimates. Another fiscal resolution, censuring the Prime Minister's policy of retaliation, was rejected, which opposition, Ministers and their supporters taking no part in the debate. On the 29th the Army Vote for 221,300 officers and men was agreed to, after a further statement by Mr. Arnold-Forster. Still another fiscal debate was started and a resolution was passed declaring that grave injury would be caused to the shipping industry by Mr. Chamberlain's proposals.—The Civil Service Estimates amount to £23,614,221 an increase of £355,504.

Penny Postage to Australia.—From April 1 the letter-postage to Australia will be reduced to one penny per half-ounce, and the postage from Australia to twopence.

Political.—Mr. Chamberlain, in a letter on Lord Hugh Cecil's candidature in Greenwich, referred to the late Lord Salisbury's opinions on fiscal policy. The present marquis writes that his father while inclined to favour retaliation, profoundly dissented from Mr. Chamberlain's fiscal policy. Mr. Chamberlain, in reply, gives quotations to show that Lord Salisbury approved of both retaliation and Colonial preference. Lord Hugh Cecil says it is unquestionable that the late Lord Salisbury was opposed to the taxation of food.

Royal Geographical Society.—The Founder's Medal is this year awarded to Sir Martin Conway; the Patron's Medal to Captain C. H. D. Ryder; and the Victoria Research Medal to Mr. G. G. Bartholomew.

Theatres.—"The Pilgrim's Way," a musical allegory, was produced at the Royal Court on Monday, and Lady Ben a comedy by Mr. G. P. Bancroft, at the Globe on Tuesday.

The German Society of Benevolence held their annual dinner on Saturday night at De Keyser's Royal Hotel, Count John Bernstorff, councillor of the German Embassy, presiding.

The Royal Commission on the care of the feebleminded heard evidence at Monday's sitting from Mr. F. H. Fisher, K.C., Master in Lunacy, and Dr. Bryan, Medical Superintendent of Broadmoor Asylum.

The Royal Corps of Naval Constructors held their annual dinner on Friday, at the Hotel Cecil, Mr. P. Watts, Director of Naval Construction presided and among the other speakers were Sir N. Barnaby, Sir W. White, and Sir E. Reed, M.P.

The National Association for the Prevention of Consumption held its annual meeting, last week in London, Lord Derby presiding. Among the speakers were Sir W. Broadbent, Dr. L. Weatherly, Dr. N. Raw, of Liverpool and Dr. Theodore Williams.

Turf.—The Lincolnshire Handicap was won by Sansovino on Tuesday.

Wills.—Religious and charitable institutions will receive about £30,000 by the will of Mr. R. W. Murray, of Belfast, and £9,700 by that of Miss Singleton of Eastbourne.

THE EMPIRE.

Australia.—Nearly 10,000 horses have been bought for the Japanese army.

Canada.—The withdrawal of Imperial garrisons from Esquimalt and Halifax was discussed on Tuesday.—In debate on the North-West Autonomy Bill is to continue from day to day.

Newfoundland.—The Bait Act is to be enforced against American as well as French fishermen.

South Africa.—Mr. Lyttelton has sent Lord Milner a telegram expressing the Government's sense of the greatness of his services in South Africa.

THE UNITED STATES.

Foreign Relations.—President Castro refuses arbitration on the questions between Venezuela and the United States.—The Washington Government has agreed to Santo Domingo's proposals for the liquidation of foreign debt.

FOREIGN.

Austria-Hungary.—The Hungarian crisis continues. Neither the Sovereign nor the coalition majority is willing to give way; but fresh negotiations for an Andrassy Ministry are reported.

Greek Insurgents at Therisso have set up a National Assembly with a president, who has announced the union of Crete with Greece.

France.—The Chamber has begun the debate on the Bill for the separation of Church and State.—The "Temps" publishes a report that a plan for a friendly meeting of the British and French Channel and North Sea squadrons is under consideration.

Germany.—The Emperor, speaking at Bremen last week, said that the world-empire he had dreamt of consisted in the German Empire enjoying absolute confidence as a quiet, honourable, and peaceful neighbour. Every new German battleship was another pledge for peace on earth. The German people were the salt of the earth, but they must be worthy of their condition.—The Emperor then started on his Mediterranean cruise. He arrived off Dover on Friday and conversed with the harbour-master. His majesty has since been received at Lisbon.

Morocco.—Our Tangier Correspondent was stabbed by a five guilds on Tuesday, but was only slightly wounded. In the German Reichstag on Wednesday, the Chancellor said that Germany, aiming at the maintenance of the open door in Morocco, intended to open direct communication with the Sultan.

Persia.—Anti-Russian outbreaks are reported from Meshed and Kuchan.

Russia.—A St. Petersburg Correspondent says that the early fulfilment of the Tsar's promises of reforms appear to be secured, but they may be too late. The conference of marshals of the nobility, the most Conservative body in Russia, has declared for the convocation of a National Assembly, with a right of initiation in legislative matters and a control over the Budget. The peasant disturbances continue, and in the Caucasus the people are in open revolt.—The strike movement is again spreading in St. Petersburg.—Maxim Gorki is to be prosecuted for inciting the public to hatred of the Government.—Bomb outrages have occurred in Warsaw.—Russian Fours fell on Wednesday to 83.

The War.—The Japanese have passed the Pansades, and are advancing with a wide front on both sides of the Railway.—The Russians have been driven out of all the districts watered by the Liau.—Fears of a wide flanking movement are expressed at St. Petersburg, though the General Staff does not anticipate immediate danger. A summer campaign on Fabian lines is projected, to exhaust the Japanese without fighting. It is authoritatively stated that 775,000 officers and men have been sent to Khabin since the outbreak of the war, making a total of 832,000, while Linevitch's present effective is estimated at from 250,000 to 350,000.—A telegram from General Oku's headquarters states that the Japanese near Mukden are clearing the battlefields and repairing the railway bridge across the Hun-ho.—The Japanese loan of £30,000,000 has been issued most successfully in London and New York.—Russia has bought ten Hamburg-American steamers to be delivered at Libau with coal cargoes.—The Baltic Fleet has been sighted steaming eastward 250 miles north-east of Madagascar, and is thought to be making for the Chagos Islands.

Obituary.—Lord Norton; M. Jules Verne; the Hon. Oliver Borthwick; Mr. E. Daizel; Sir. A. J. Cadman, New Zealand; Lieutenant-Colonel H. W. A. Mackinnon; Captain G. M. Aldridge, R. N.; Captain Vankoughnet; Mrs. R. Waller, last survivor of Akbar Khan's prisoners in 1842.—"Times."

THE Russian Finance Minister has written to say that, in spite of statements to the contrary, the huge gold reserve at St. Petersburg still exists. This is good news for the Japanese, who were getting nervous about their indemnity.

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THE MODERN CRUSOE.

The unnamed territory which its submarine volcano has so kindly placed at the disposal of Japan will, of course, be subject to the laws and regulations of the other lands of the Mikado. Sometimes imperial authority forgets itself about these little places swimming near the mainland. That was why Aubrey de Vere's grand-father bought Lundy Island. There he could be King and Pope and Parliament all in one, and, if he had a row with the rest of the British Empire, could be very comfortable in his own stronghold. The idea was not altogether extravagant, as was shown in the case of the merry gentleman who shut himself up with a bear as comrade on Soop Holme, in the Bristol Channel. Somebody landed and got mauled by the bear, and took the matter into court. A non-suit was the result; Soop Holme belonged to no county, and nobody had any jurisdiction concerning it.

THE BISHOP OF BOND-STREET.

We have been hearing a good deal this week about detectives watching detectives. This is nothing new, as may be within the recollection of those who knew a certain maker of sporting guns, who dubbed himself the Bishop of Bond-street. He helped the Government to frames Bill for the punishment of those implicated in the theft of dogs, and was the first person convicted under the new Act. A customer rogued him one day complaining that his dog had been stolen, and the Bishop arranged an interview between the owner and the thief. The owner took the precaution to have a detective with him [illegible], of course. "Now what's the use of your bringing that 'ere 'tec 'ere me?," quoth the dog thief, "it's no use your tryin' to bluff me. You've got a 'tec watchin' me, and I've got a 'tec watchin' 'e. There was no deal until the detectives had been withdrawn.

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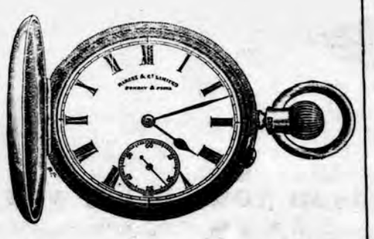

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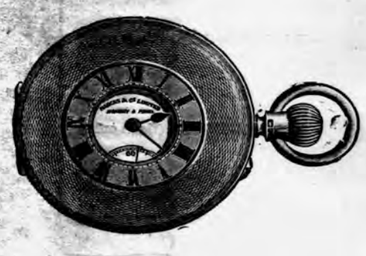

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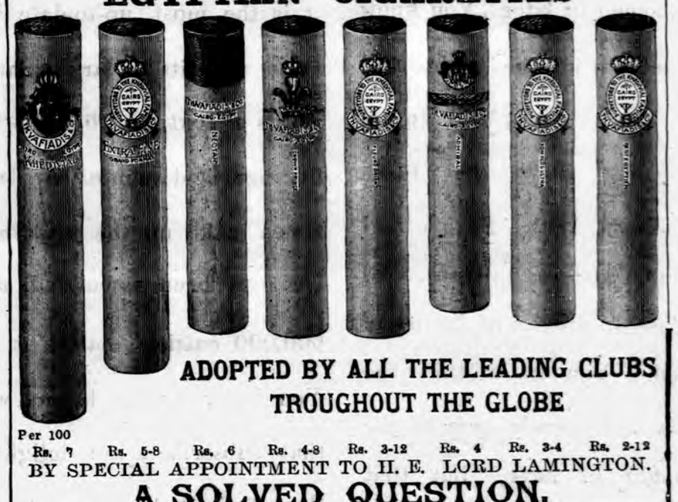

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